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CONSIGNEES of CARGO per S.S. "FALKLAND" ARRIVED from GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, and MANCHESTER, are hereby requested to present their BILLS of LADING for our COUNTERSIGNATURE and to take DELIVERY of their respective GOODS from the PRINCE'S DOCK.

The Steamer's Surveyor, Captain CLARK, will attend every morning to survey Damages, and all Claims in this respect must be adjusted before the Goods are moved from the Landing Sheds. After removal from the Landing Sheds the Steamer will not be responsible for any Damage whatever.

All Claims must be presented against within a fortnight of the Steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not be entertained.

FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 15th February, 1897.

POSTAL NOTICE.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PARCEL POST TO GIBRALTAR.

THE PARCEL POST from INDIA to GIBRALTAR and TANGIER is SUSPENDED until further notice, owing to Quarantine restrictions.

H. M. KISCH,
Offg. Director-General of the Post Office of India.

Calcutta, the 8th February, 1897.

THE BOMBAY COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SEVENTEENTH DIVIDEND (interim) of Rupees (25) TWENTY-FIVE per Share (being at the rate of 10 per cent. per Annum for the half year ending 31st December, 1896, has been declared and made payable on and after THURSDAY, the 25th day of February, 1897, at the Registered Office of the Company on production of Share Certificates to those Shareholders whose names are on the Register this day.

By Order,
JEEWANDAS & CO.,
Agents.

5, Green Street, Fort, Bombay, 18th February, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th to 24th instant, both days inclusive.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at No. 8, Berkely Place, Byculla, valuable and handsome teak and blackwood French-polished household furniture, glass and crockery ware, table and bracket lamps, China and Japanese vases, table ornaments, carpets, pictures, &c., the property of G. LITTLE, Esq.

The above is on view.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods.

Also the property of a gentleman, consisting of chairs, tables, clothes baskets, large bath tubs, commodes, chamber pots, bedstead, sitebound, large fans, lamps, screens, water filters, ice machine, etc.

AT 1-30 P.M.

1 handsome strong glass-fronted miniature brougham, in good order.

1 handsome strong-built victoria, in very good order, with a bay Arab horse, and a set of brass-mounted harness.

1 C B grey Arab pony, 13-2, quiet in harness, very good hack.

1 bay waler gelding, 15-3, 7 years old, broken to saddle and harness, very showy.

1 handsome grey waler mare, 14-1½, quiet in saddle and harness, carries a lady, very good across country, a capital jumper.

1 light grey Arab horse, 4 years old, 14-1 high.

1 brown waler mare, very handsome and strong, fast trotter, 15-3, about 8 years.

1 set of English plated harness in good condition.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at Colaba, near the Observatory, teak and blackwood furniture, consisting of chairs, tables, easy chairs, table and hanging lamps, writing tables, pictures, clocks, almirahs, bagatelle table, game boxes, flower pots, filters, matting, etc., etc., the property of the soldiers, Connaught Club.

The above will be on view two days before the sale.

On SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at No. 18, Marine Lines, valuable and handsome teak and blackwood French-polished household furniture, plate, glass and crockery ware, rich table ornaments, Hisk's and Ditmar's table and hanging kerosine lamps, rich muslin curtains, China and Japanese flower vases, one handsome strong-built buggy, sets of harness, lady's side saddle, a collection of plants, Surat goats, fowls, grass cutting machine, ice, the property of Capt. L. H. VIDAL.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 19th February, 1897.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY.
No. 7, MARINE STREET.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece goods and the following:—

A quantity of blackwood and teakwood furniture, consisting of drawing room dressing and wash hand tables, cushioned couches and chairs, wardrobe, chest of drawers, arm and without arm chairs, &c.

1 Triple acting mangle sold by J. H. Dallmeyer, London.

15 boxes No 1 Nobles and 10 boxes No. 1 Flor de Java cigars.

1 new Kodaks hand camera with lens.

1 English fire resisting safe 40 in. by 19 in. by 18 in.

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On account of the concerned.—

6 automatic knitting machines.

By order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of the defaulting indentor, Manockjee Jamshedjee Kapadia—

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On account and at the risk of the concerned—

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On account of the concerned—

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A sweet-toned mahogany square pianoforte by Schiedmayer and Soehne, singers Sewing Machine with stand.

AT 2 P.M.

1 second-hand serviceable double seated brougham

1 strong second-hand victoria

1 second-hand one seat gharri

And any other carriages and horses which may be offered

On SATURDAY, the 6th proximo, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Land's End Road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and neat substantial mate blackwood and teakwood household furniture by Nabrhagi Tobers and others, rich crockery and glassware, best plated wa strong built victoria, one handsome and fast silver grey horse and one more, both going in single harness and two sets of nearly new single harness, incandescent gas chandelier and bracket lamps, real Brussels and Persian carpets, large size stove with water boiler and utensils, pigeons, geese, a large collection of choice plants in tubs and pots, china and coir matting, perambulator, etc, the property of A. MAHLER, Esq. proceeding to Europe.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale,

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 19th February, 1897.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

WITH a view to preventing the BUBONIC FEVER, which is now committing such ravages in Bombay, spreading to Hyderabad where many people are fleeing for safety, the Government of His Highness the Nizam are adopting certain precautionary measures, these are:—

(1) The detention at Wadi of all Second and Third Class Passengers, from Stations west of Wadi, for a few hours, to admit of a thorough examination and the treatment, by duly qualified Medical Officers, of any one found to be ill. Females will be attended to by a Lady Doctor. First Class Passengers, being few in number, are examined immediately on the arrival of the trains, and passed at once, or detained for treatment, as may be considered desirable.

(2) Registers are maintained at Wadi Station of all passengers coming from the Bombay side, and of their addresses while here. This will enable the local Medical Officers to have passengers under observation for a week or ten days, so that any case of illness can be at once attended to, and approved methods of disinfecting used to prevent the spread of the contagion.

(3) All Through Booking to Stations on the Nizam's Guaranteed State Railways from Stations west of Wadi is strictly prohibited. Fresh tickets must therefore be purchased at Wadi.

(4) The importation into Hyderabad Territory of any foodgrains from Poona or any Station west of Poona is prohibited. Any such consignments of grain will not be permitted to pass the Customs Houses.

(5) There is a Refreshment Room at Wadi Station and also a Dharamsala so that all classes of passengers can be accommodated during their enforced stay there.

It will be seen that His Highness' Government are endeavouring to make the restrictions as little irksome as possible, considering how grave is the danger that threatens. But the effect of these measures will be considerably neutralized unless passengers of all classes co-operate with the Government, and thus render unnecessary any resort to more stringent measures. All passengers are, therefore, earnestly requested to frankly and truly answer all the questions put by the Medical Officers at Wadi and also at Vikarabad, for the earlier a case is taken in hand the greater the chance of recovery.

HORMASJEE N. VAKEEL,
Secy., H. H. the Nizam's Govt.,
Judicial, Police and General Depts. (Medical).

Hyderabad, 8th February, 1897.

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TENDERS FOR STATIONERY AND PAPER.

THE Agent is prepared to receive at his office, Church Gate Street, Fort, Bombay, up to 1 P.M., Gun Fire on MONDAY, 1st March, 1897, sealed Tenders for the supply of Stationery and Paper, required by the Company for the Broad and Metre Gauge Sections, for delivering at Bombay and Ajmere, respectively, during the twelve months ending 31st March, 1898, supplies to commence from 1st April, 1897.

2. Terms of Tender, giving particulars of approximate requirements and conditions on which Tenders will be received, may be obtained on application to the Chief Storekeeper's Office, Parel, Bombay or the Deputy Storekeeper's Office, Ajmere, on payment of Rs. 2 (two) for each form at either of which offices samples may be seen.

3. Tenders should be superscribed "Tender for Stationery and Paper for B. B. and C. I. Ry., and R. M. Ry." and must be accompanied by a deposit of Rupees (500) five hundred in currency notes with each Tender. If Government Paper or other Securities be submitted, they must be endorsed in favor of the Agent, B. B. and C. I. Ry.

4. The Agent reserves the right to select one or more items from any Tender without reference to other items, and the Tenderer shall be required to supply the same at the rate quoted.

5. The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

R. WOOLLCOMBE,
Acting Chief Storekeeper.

Chief Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 9th February, 1897.

NOTICE.

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PAID UP CAPITAL..... " 4,500,000 = " 9,000,000
RESERVE FUND..... " 4,130,000 = " 8,260,000

HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA.

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DRAFTS granted on JAPAN, and the Chief Commercial places in the World.

H. BEKKEY,
Agent, pro tem.

Sirdar's Palace, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £500,000
RESERVE FUND £170,000

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The Bank receives Deposits fixed for 12 months at 4 per cent.

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H. CHALMERS,
Manager.

THOMAS COOK & SON,

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CAPITAL (Subscribed) ..... Rs. 40,00,000
RESERVES and REST ..... " 11,06,292

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By Order,

F. D. STRANACK,
Manager.

Esplanade Road, Bombay, 4th January, 1897.

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Current Deposit Accounts are opened, and Interest is allowed on Daily Balances from Rs. 1,00 up to Rs. 100,000. Rates to be learnt on application.

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C. HENRIOT,
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BANKS.

	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divid.	Cash Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.					
Bank of Bombay		Rs.	Rs.	10 p. c.	
Bank of Bengal	{ 20,000	500	all	1 bon.	1,330
Bank of Madras	40,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	300
Commercial &	10,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,215
Bk. Mgo	{ 30,000	100	{ 100	10 p. c.	145
	{ 15,000		{ 75		
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	5/
Chartar Bank ...	160,000	£20	£20	7 pr. ct.	£2
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	$125	all	£1-5s.	£41
National Bank of India	60,000	£25	£12½	3 pr. ct.	300
PRESS COMPANIES					
Akbar	£200	1,250	1,250	Yearly 7½	1,150
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	15 pr. ct	45
Albert (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	Rs 80	1,160
Bellary	1167	1,000	1,000	dvd 14 x	225
Bhownuggur Utility Press & Manfg Co, Ld	1550	250	250	25	275
Bombay Cotton	16,000	125	125	dv Rs12½	155
Bremi-Cawnpore Press Co., Ld	500	200	200	1	187½
Broach City Press Co., Ld	5800	200	200	dvd Rs25	230
Calcutta	1800	11,880	1,880	dvd Rs15	308
Cast India	1350	1,000	1,000	75	1,375
Caxton Press and Manfg ...	400	200	...	dvd Rs 8	95
Fort	1160	5,500	500	35+30	1,100
French	300	500	500	dvd Rs30	540
Harvey and Sabapathy ...	450	450	500	dvd Rs40	350
Hingnaghat	700	100	100	dvd Rs11	135
Khangaum	240	450	450	Rs10	530
Mahuva Press Co., Ld	300	200	all	15 pr. ct	255
Maharashtra Manufacturing Co., Ltd	300	500	500	53	95
Mercantile	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs 4	75
Motwell Co ...	5,125	250	11	15	210
Munsur M	1,000	500	500	dvd Rs60	0
New Bharat ...	1,200	500	500	dvd Rs30	525
New Indian	6,900	125	125	dvd Rs 9	135
Prince of Wales	160	500	500	25	575
Sahapathy (Bellary)	500	500	75	25	385
Sassoon	1300	500	500	20	55
Steel and Punjab Co	100	1,000	1,000	200	2,751
Steel	600	2,000	750	50	520
Ujwah Woollen Mills	1,200	250	250	Nil	75
Surat City Press Co., Ld.	270	200	all	12	230
Vakar		1,000	10	dvd Rs5	108
RAILWAY COMPANIES.					(nnar.
G. I. P. R. Consolidated Stock	...	£100	all	5 p. c.	
B. B. & C. I. R	...	£ 18	...	G.	
Ahmedabad Prantij	14,000	500	400		
The Tapti Valley	20,000	500	5	...	
SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.				Half yea.	
Alliance	1,500	1,100	call	100	Nil 455
Anglo-Indian ...	1,345				
Aurangabad S. & M. Co., Ld.	6 8	1,000	1,000	60	1,000
Bellary S & W Co. Ld (Bellary)	871	00	all	9 per ct.	290
Bombay United	900	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.40	695
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co ...	900	500	500	dvd Rs.30	500
Bombay Nationol Manfg. Co, Ld	500	1,000	1,000	...	290
Britannia Mills ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.40	600
Central India ...	1,000	500	500	dvd Rs.50	1,400
China Mills Co Ld	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.55	770
City of Bombay Mills	600	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	1,000
Colmbatore S and W	6,000	100	100	9 per ct.	125
Connaught Mills	600	500	500	25	700
Colaba Land & Mills	4,000	700	...	dvd Rs12	600
Coocia Mills ...	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.5	550
Currimbhoy Mill	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.60	1,000
David Mill	1,400	500	500	dvd Rs.30	500
Dhun Mills	2,000	1,000	1,000	50	600
Empress	2,100	500	500	dvd	600
Framjee Pet ...	1,250	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.30	580
Industen	875	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs15	680
Hingunghat Mills	700	500	500	40	670
Howard and Bullough ...	1,500	500	500	25	700
Hope Mills	500	1,000	1,000	50	575
Hyderabad ...	700	500	500	40	1,400
Imperial Cotton ...	900	500	500	dvd Rs.15	485
Indian Manfg. Co.	900	1,000	1,000	50	1 210
Indo-China Manufacturing Co., Ld ...	700	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	775xd
James Greaves ...	1,100	500	500	20	700
Jaffer Alli	200	500	500	dvd Rs.20	225
Jamshed Manufacturing Co..	1,800	250	250	dvd Rs.10	227½
Jowraj Balloo...	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.20	975
Jubilee Mills Co., Ld	843	1,000	1,000	20	525
Khandeish	750	1,500	1,000	dvd Rs30	705
Khangaum Manfg. Co ...	400	250	250	Nil	850
Khatao Mfg. Co ...	1,000	1,200	1,000	dvd Rs35	765
Kunjoo	2,500	100	103	dvd Rs.10	250
Leopold	3,500	1,000	1,000	30	880
Lord Reay Mfg	445				
Lukmidas Spinning & Weaving Co	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	985
Madras United ...	350	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.100	3,050
Mahalaxmee...	1,000	500	1,000	Nil	500
Mahboob Shah Mills (Gulburga)	5,400	500	500	15 pr ct	...
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	dv Rs100	2,100
Mazagon	5,000	250	250	dvd Rs 5	1274
Morarji Gocul Das	1,050	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs75	2,150
Mysore S & M Co Ld	4,000	250	250	dvd 15	250
Madura Mills...	7,779	1,000	1,000	Nil	Fa. 525
National	500	1,000	1,000	Nil	
New Great Eastern.....	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs 50	460
Oriental	5,725	625	625	dvd Rs20	350
Presidency Mills Co (Ld).	743	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs50	1,230
Queen Mills ..	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	900
Ripon Mills.....	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs60	1,210
Sassoon.....	1,500	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs50	1,050
Sholapore Mills	500	500	1,000	dvd Rs60	1,525
Soonderdas.....	750	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs40	850
Southern India	1,000	500	500	15	125
Southern Mahratta	1,212	250	250	dv Rs 12½	355
Sun Mills, Ld ...	1,300	250	250	dvd Rs 20	475
Standard Mills Co.	1,000	500	500	25	350
Star of India ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	650
Swadeshi Mills.	475	500	500	dvd Rs15	575
Sassoon and Alliance.....	,000	00	500	dvd Rs15	602
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co....	900	1,000	1,000	50	53
Union Mills Ld	00	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs30	500
Venkatesh bunker C Mill Co Ld	900	500	900	dvd Rs40	0 0xd
Victoria Mills ...	650	1,000	1,000	Nil	450
Western India..	1,300	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs50	90
Wadia Mills ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	...	
MISCELLANEOUS.				Half yearly	
Alcock Ashdown.....	1,750	100	100	dvd Rs 5 7½	325 115
Adadie Fire Insurance Co Ld	...	1,000	100	...	50
Back Bay Baths	5 00	50	50	1	135
Badham Pile...	5,000	100	100	12	
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation...	1,000	2,500	1,500	300	6,450
Do. New Issue.	500	375	625	75	1,650
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	dvd 3	62
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld.....	486	500	500	5 pr. ct	50
Bombay Flour Mill.	720	500	500	5	1,200
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000		500	5 pr. ct	250
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills...	1,500	200	200	dvd Rs15	19
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co., Ld.....	2,800	250	250	8 pr. ct.	375
Indian Guarantee Surety Ship Assn ..	6,000	100	10	10 pr. ct.	1 207
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	350
Kemp & Co.....	4,000	200	175	21	20
Kurrachee Landing	500	500	300	30	180
Marcks & Co., Ld	4,900	100	100	dvd Rs15	40
Nagler Hom & Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct.	60
Nagler Foundry	1,000	100	200	...	50
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance ...	6,000	200	50	12 pr. ct.	100
Phillips & Co., Ld	4,800	100	100	dvd Rs.6	94
Port Canning Co	5,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs20	477½
Scindy & Co....	1,000	100	100	9	50
Teacher & Co	2,000	500	500	25	1,060
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100	100	135	14
Tel none Co. 1	9,900	251	100	dvd Rs11	295

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English Gold	Rs.	25-9
Gold Leaf	,,	25-10 Nom
Pekin, bar Gold, old	,,	24-13 ,,
Do. do. new	,,	24-11
Australia bar Gold	,,	24-14½
Bombay bar Gold	,,	24-12
Sovereigns	,,	15-14
Do. Dracons	,,	15-12½
Silver 17	,,	34-4
Do. 17½	,,	34-6

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 26m. Sun sets, 6h. 2m. High water, 0-22m., 0-47a. Low water. 6-31m., 0-31a.
Bombay Light Horse, troop drill on the Sands.
Ordinaries, Bombay Races.
Y. M. C. A. Apollo Bunder. annual business meeting of voting members. 8-45 p.m.
Music at Yacht Club, 5-45 p.m.
Music on the Esplanade, 5-45 p.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer Canara entered the dock on Wednesday, and the steamers Australia and Falkland, yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Iran entered, and the steamer Bhundara left the dock yesterday.

POLO.—There will be a game to-day at 4-30 p.m.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB RACES.—There will be the usual handicap races on Saturday for yachts' and ships' boats, entries for which will close at 4 p.m., to-day.

PLAGUE DEVOTION AT THE ANDHERI CHURCH.—The "runaways" of Colwad (Bandora), Mazagon and Worlea, who have temporarily settled at Andheri, will celebrate on Sunday, the 21st instant, a thanksgiving Mass in honour of St. Braz for the subsidence of the plague. High Mass will commence at 9 a.m., followed with sermon and solemn benediction. The St. Peter's Band of Bandora will do justice to the occasion by playing the Meluzzi's Mass under the baton of P. Entiado.

THE HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS.—On the first of January last, there were 158 bullocks, 33 horses and 17 dogs at the Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel. During the month of January 15 bullocks, 16 horses and 6 dogs were admitted, and during the same month 90 bullocks, 29 horses and 16 dogs were discharged from the hospital. 2 cases among bullocks, 2 cases among horses and 5 cases among dogs proved fatal during the past month. The following animals were treated as out-patients during the month :—8 horses, 1 bullock, 5 buffaloes, 2 she-goats, 35 dogs, 3 kine and 1 parrot.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—By kind permission of Colonel Cooper and officers, the Band of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, will perform the following programme of music at the Yacht Club, this evening, at 5-45 :—

March	Stars and Stripes ..... Sousa
Overture	Tancredi ..... Rossini
Selection	Madame L'archiduc .. Offenbach
Valse	Toreador ..... Royle
Selection	The Mikado ..... Sullivan
Mazurka	Die Odaliske ..... Faust

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MUSIC AT THE BANDSTAND.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, bandmaster, will play the following programme of music, this evening, at 5-45 :—

March	With Flying Colours ... Unrath.
Overture	King's Lieutenant ..... Fitl.
Cavatina (Cornet solo)	Sorrow and Joy ..... Williams.
Valse	Toreador ..... Royle.
Selection	Rip Van Winkle ..... Planquette.
Quadrille	Arabian Nights ..... Kaps.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

COMMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Jolliffe charged Joga Lakha, an old offender, with attempting to commit house-breaking and theft in a house at Bapu Khote Street, on Wednesday night, the occupant having left Bombay for his native country in consequence of the plague. On hearing some noise in the room on the ground-floor, the tenant on the upper-storey came down with another man. The accused tried to rush past, but he was chased and captured. Being a notorious character with several previous convictions against him, he was committed to the Sessions.

THE CELEBRATION OF KORAN MAJEED.—A large meeting of Koran readers and karies was held at the instance of the "Mahafit-i-Chiragh-i-Mahamood" Association on Wednesday night, at Nagpada, Huzria Street, in the hall of the Society. The hall and the premises were artistically decorated and were brilliantly illuminated by various coloured lamps and oil buttees. For the purpose of performing the celebration of "Khatum-i-Koran Shariff" there were present a large number of Mahomedans including karies, Koran readers, and members of the association. At the request of Mr. Munshi Sayad Mainoodin, Dy. Edl. Inspector of Urdoo School, the karies, moulvies and Koran readers solemnly recited several passages from the Holy Koran Shariff in an impressive manner. The reading was greatly appreciated by the audience. A lad of 11 years, the son of Mia Goolam Rassool, treasurer of the Society, rendered a few verses. After the *Darood Shariff* and *Khatum Koran* were over refreshments were served, and the karies and others were presented with nosegays and garlands by Mr. Mia Goolam Rassool. At the termination of the celebration Mr. Syed Hassan, hospital assistant of the R.I.M. Dockyard, thanked Messrs. Hajee Mia and Shaik Ebrahim, managers, for the trouble they had taken in getting up the meeting.

ENTERTAINMENT AT INDORE.—A correspondent writes :—A very generous and kind act has been done by his Highness the Maharaja Holkar. The Maharaja was pleased to give an entertainment to all the students of the College and the High Shools. The banquet was given at Burwaha, his Highness' beautiful palace. We were all carried there by a special train running from Indore to Burwaha by his Highness' own arrangement. The special train left Indore for Burwaha, on Sunday, at 12 noen amidst the cheers and huzzas of the young students. The special train consisted of all the third class carriages, excepting the superintendent and theachers, who had an intermediate compartments. When we reached the Patalpani station we entered the delightful mountain scenery through which the train runs. This pleasant landscape extends from Patalpani to Kalakund. Thence we reached Basha and reached it at 4 o'clock in the evening, where we had carriages from the station to the palace, nearly one mile. The palace was adorned with handsome paper lamps of different colours, and with banners. The feast commenced at 8 at night and finished at about half-past nine. After pan supari and flowers, we saw the fireworks. There was also a band. After enjoying this most glorious day we left the palace for the Burwaha station, where again a special train was standing to carry us all to Indore. This took place in honour of the young Prince Tukoji Rao Bala Saheb, who entered on his literature course nearly fifteen days ago, in the Maharaja's own school.

A JAIL BIRD.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Luximon Sonoo, a jail-bird, having a register of twenty previous convictions against him, was charged at the instance of Constable Mehta, before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with house-breaking by night with intent to commit theft. He broke into a shop, belonging to one Shivji Dharsey, a grain-dealer at the 4th Lane, Khetwady. On Sunday evening last complainant locked the door of his shop and went home at the 1st Lane, Khetwady. About midnight one C E Borges, a baker, who lives on the floor over the complainant's shop, was aroused from his sleep by hearing some noise at the back of the house. He went downstairs and saw the accused standing near the back door of the complainant's shop. Borges raised an alarm, upon which the thief commenced running away. He was, however, pursued by the baker's cook, named Pinto, and a Parsee, named Kawasji Jamshedji, and was arrested and given in police custody. Upon an inquiry, a big stone with which the burglar had broken open the lock on the door, was found lying in the sweepers' passage. Accused in his defence pleaded intoxication. He, however, admitted the previous convictions, the last of which was for two years. His Worship, in convicting the accused, remarked that he had a mind to commit him to the Sessions, but he would, however, give him one more opportunity. The court sentenced the man to two years' rigorous imprisonment, with a strict warning that if he was again before the court and convicted, he would be sent to the Sessions.

PRIZE-DISTRIBUTION AT UNA.—A correspondent writes :—Una is the chief place in the southern part of the Junagadh territory. The 11th February last was a day of pleasure, to the various schools, as the Naib-Diwan-Saheb, who was there on duty, had agreed to give away the annual prizes. This gathering was unique in character, as this was the first occasion when the officers, and all the students were collected in the local Taluka schools for the occasion. The Naib-Diwan-Saheb arrived at 8 a.m., when a programme was gone through by the pupils, in the shape of recitations and songs, composed for the occasion. The head-master of the Anglo-Vernacular School, read his report which showed that the school had achieved remarkable success in the short space of three years only, and that its status required an advance of two standards more. The head-teacher of the Taluka Guj-school, read a joint report for the boys' and girls' school, which showed in detail the increasing usefulness of the two institutions. The Kindergarten system of teaching has been introduced with success in the infant classes, and this interest it created amongst the little ones was shown by the spirit with which they went through some "action songs" specially prepared for them. They appeared cheerful and intelligent. Knitting in wool, done by the girls in the Girls' School, highly pleased the spectators. The prizes were then distributed to the pupils, who numbered more than 500. The Naib-Diwan-Saheb expressed his appreciation of the work done by the various teachers in a brief speech, which was followed by a short address from Rao Saheb Gulabdasbhai. The gathering then dispersed amidst cheers and hurrahs from the students of the various institutions. There were present on the occasion, the Naib-Diwan-Saheb, Mr. Purshotamrai Sunderji Jhala, the Judicial Councillor, R. S. Gulabdas Laldas, the Revenue Councillor, Mr. Jadavrai Harishanker, Jamadar Sulleman, Mr. Motibhai Manibhai, Chief Educational Officer, Junagadh State, the Vahivatdar and the Deputy Vahivatdar of that division, the Una Sessions Judge, the Special Revenue Officer, Mr. Vallabhdas, the Assistant Superintendent of Police in charge Una Division, Sheth Panachand Anadji, Mr. Mulraj Panachand, B.A. Mr. Dhunjishah Tehmuras, B.A., Sheth Dharsi Daramsi, Sheth Motichand Vallabhaji, and several leading citizens of the place.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE PARSONS, and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

LOVING NEIGHBOURS.

IMPERATRIX VS. PATIENCE M. TETLEY.

THIS was an application for revision of a decision of Mr. F. H. Dastoor, presidency magistrate, who, in December last, found the accused guilty of defamation and fined her Rs. 40, with the alternative of a month's simple imprisonment. Mr. Maneckshah appeared for the accused.

It appears from the magistrates' finding that the complainant, Mrs. Gertrude Crabbe, and the accused lived in the same house and have had many quarrels about children. On the 3rd October last, the accused called out to complainant's son ; and the complainant's husband stepped out to see what the row was about. The accused said "you be quiet, you don't know what happens in the house when you are away ; your wife and daughter, &c." The words used by the accused were certainly defamatory in the opinion of the magistrate ; and though the accused denied having made use of them, Mrs. Denton, a respectable witness, proved that they were uttered. The accused called two witnesses to prove that she said nothing, and that complainant came down and used filthy language towards the accused, because she scolded her boys. The magistrate thought there was no occasion for such abuse. He convicted the accused, as she used the defamatory expressions, and had reason to believe that they would harm the complainant's reputation. It was urged by the accused's pleader that the magistrate, having dismissed the complaint on the 18th November, when the complainant was absent, he should not have again entertained the same complaint and convicted the accused, and that the magistrate should have held that the complaint was baseless and brought to annoy and harass the accused.

Their lordships, on a consideration of the circumstances of the case, rejected the application.

A MARWAREE ROBBED BY DACOITS.

IMPERATRIX VS. AMRITA BHAU AND OTHERS.

THE three accused in this case appealed from a decision of Mr. Alcock, Sessions Judge of Nasik, who, in November last, convicted them of dacoity and sentenced them to rigorous imprisonment for three years each.

The principal evidence for the prosecution was that of one Pratapmal, his wife Soni, and his servant Abba. The complainant left Chachadgaon for Nasik, intending to go with all his possessions to his native place in Marwad. His wife went with him riding on a pony. He engaged Abba as an attendant for the journey, Umedya, who was engaged first, having refused to come. The party started at 3 a.m. on the 18th September. About fifteen miles from Nasik, Soni, the complainant's wife, rode on ahead. Abba and the complainant stayed behind a few minutes. Just then some men came, seized the pony, and led it into the fields, Soni cried out. The complainant ran to her assistance with a stick, but two men came against him and handled him rather severely, causing serious injuries to his head. These men took away the complainant's ear-rings. Meanwhile, two other men robbed Soni of her ornaments and took away the pony's load. Abba stated that two of the men came towards him, and that one of them knocked him down with a blow from a stick. Abba went to Umrao for help, and complainant was taken there. He charged two of the accused by name with robbing him, and he gave the police a list of the ornaments and other property which he had lost. Four or five days afterwards, one of the accused made a statement to the police and named his accomplices. Some of the accused produced some ornaments belonging to the complainant. His sack of clothes and pots was produced from a place where it was buried. A brass box was produced from a spot close by. Next day some of the accused produced ornaments out of the partition walls of their houses. Some days later, a purse of money and a bag of small changa were produced out of the fields ; and the complainant identified all these things. The accused made full and detailed confessions, which they retracted before the committing magistrate. The Session's Judge noted in conclusion that the discrepancies and confusion in the confessions seemed to show that they had not been concocted, the discrepancies and confusion being natural under the circumstances.

Their lordships, on a consideration of the evidence, rejected the appeal.

THE DEPUTY MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.

THE following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it has been published in accordance with Rule 22 of the Rules for the conduct of business at Meetings of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations :—

Bill No. I of 1897.

A Bill to further amend the law relating to the Municipal Government of the City of Bombay.

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, in manner hereinafter appearing ; it is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. Clause (a) Repeal of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 55 of Bombay Act III of 1888 of sub-section (2) of section 56 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, is repealed.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

1 The object of this Bill is to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act 1888 in order to enable a Deputy Municipal Commissioner to represent the Municipal Commissioner at meetings of the Corporation and Standing Committees.

2. Sanction 56 (1) of the Act provides that a Deputy Commissioner "shall exercise such of the powers and perform such of the duties of the Commissioner as the Commissioner shall from time to time depute to him." Clause (a) of sub-section (2) of the same section, however, contains a proviso that "It shall not be lawful for a Deputy Commissioner to appear in the Commissioner's stead at any meeting of the Corporation or Standing Committee or to exercise thereat any right or power of the Commissioner." It is proposed to repeal this proviso.

The heavy duties now devolving on the Municipal Commissioner in consequence of the outbreak of bubonic plague in Bombay and the extreme urgency of the measures he is required to organize and carry out show that, in circumstances of such pressure, the relief granted him by the appointment of a Deputy Municipal Commissioner should be as complete as possible. This relief cannot be as extensive as is possible and desirable so long as the Deputy Municipal Commissioner cannot be empowered to represent the Commissioner at meetings of the Corporation or Standing Committee.

BOMBAY BRANCH ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

THE annual meeting of this Society was held last evening, when Mr. James MacDonald, one of the vice-presidents, occupied the chair, and eleven other members were present. Dr. J. Gerson Da Cunha, one of the vice-presidents and joint honorary secretary, read the annual report, which will appear in our next issue.

On the motion of Mr. H. R. H. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. S. T. Bhandarker, the report was adopted. Mr. Wilkinson remarked *en passant* that it seemed to be a fully satisfactory report, subject to the observation that works of fiction found most favour with the members of a learned Society like this. On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Dr. Grayfoot, the following committee and auditors for 1897 were elected :—President—Dr. P Peterson, M A ; vice-Presidents—Dr J Gerson Da Cunha, Mr James MacDonald, Mr K R Kama, and the Hon Mr Justice Candy. Members : The Hon Mr Javerilal U Yajnik, Dr Atmaram Pandurang, Dr D MacDonald, Professor M MacMillan, B A ; the Rev R Scott, M A ; the Hon Mr Justice M G Ranade, C I E ; Mr N G Chandawarkar, B A, LL B ; Surgeon-Captain B B Grayfoot ; the Rev D D Mackichan, M A ; Mr J T Hathornthwaite, M A ; Liteutenant A J Pelle, R A ; Mr F C Rimington, Mr T J Bennett, Dr J Pollen, I C S ; Honorary Secretary ; the Hon Mr Javerilal U Yajnik, Joint Honorary Secretary ; Dr J Gerson Da Cunha, Honorary Auditor ; Mr Darasha Rattanji Chichgar ; and Mr H R H Wilkinson.

Diwan Bahadur Manibhai Jasbhai proposed thanks to the chairman, and the proceedings terminated.

INCOME-TAX AT MANDALAY.

MEMORIAL TO THE GOVERNMENT.

AN important meeting was held on Saturday, to protest against the introduction of income-tax at Mandalay, as decided by the Local Government, from April next. A committee was chosen to draw up a memorial which will be presented by a representative deputation to Sir Fredrick Fryer, now in Mandalay. The chief grounds for the protest are that the city has been only ten years under British rule ; that it is urgently wanting in proper roads, drains, conservancy, lighting, water-supply ; that these will necessitate gradually increasing future taxation ; that the addition to the taxes is already too heavy for the population on account of their poverty and the present scarcity ; that before the imperial tax be levied the city should be brought to the average level of other cities in India and Burma in respect to trade and commerce and to municipal improvements ; and that the net profits of the proposed tax will be very small compared with the hardship and discontent among a newly conquered people.

THE FAMINE.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

THE following season reports for the week ending 16th February were published in yesterday's *Government Gazette*.

Karachi.—River at Kotri on 15th, 5 feet 3 inches against 5 feet same date last year. Rabi generally flourishing but slightly damaged by drought in three and by blight in two talukas. Agricultural stock in good condition. Fodder scarce in Kohistan Locusts caused slight damage in Tatta and Kohistan talukas.

Shikarpur.—Rabi flourishing. Prices of staple food-grains 13 seers. Other grains fluctuating. Cattle healthy except in six talukas. Fodder scarce.

Hyderabad.—Battai in progress. Rabi slightly damaged by frost in three talukas. Cattle healthy except in two talukas. Fodder sufficient. Average selling price unchanged, wheat being 8, jowari 13, bajri 12, red rice 14 seers per rupee respectively in the district.

Upper Sind Frontier.—Rain at Jacobabad 2 cents, Shahdadpur 5 cents. Kharif threshing continues, Rabi flourishing Cattle healthy except in Jacobabad, Thal and Kashmor talukas. Fodder sufficient.

Thar and Parkar.—Rabi in good condition. Cattle healthy except in one taluka. No change in averge selling price, wheat being 8, bajri 12 seers per rupee in the district.

Ahmedabad.—(For week ending 13th February 1897).—Rabi cultivation in flourishing state and almost ready for the sickle. Fodder supply sufficient. Agricultural stock in fair condition. Prices of food-grains steady but high—jowari 10 seers 40 tolas, bajri 9 seers 50 tolas, wheat 7 seers 40 tolas, and rice second sort 8 seerse per rupee.

Panch Mahals.—Standing crops and agricultural stock in good condition. Reaping of gram commenced in the eastern mauals. Fodder supply and labour sufficient. Price of maize in Dohrd has fallen from 13 to 14½ seers per rupee : bajri has risen from 10 to 9 seers in Godhra.

Kaira—(For week ending 13th February 1897).—Kharif crops reaping completed through the district. Standing rabi crops in good condition. Fodder supply sufficient. Agricultural stock healthy. Average price of food grains ; bagri 9 rice 8 and wheat 8 Government seers per rupee. Broach.—Cotton picking and reaping of jowari and wheat in progress. Standing crops doing well. Prospects and probable outturn of crops fair. Condition of fodder supply good and agricultural stock healthy. District average price of wheat 7 seers 12 chhataks Bajri 8 sars 7 chhat aks taks. pulse 7 sheers 7 chhataks, jowari 10 seers 14 chattaks and rice 1 seers, against 7 seers 12 chhataks, 8 seers 8 chhataks, 7 seers 80 chataks, 11 seers 5 chhataks, and 8 seers 1 chhatak per rupee, respectively. last week.

Surat—(For week ending 13th February 1897).—Cotton picking in progress. Reaping of wheat in Bardoli and Mandvi commenced. Outturn of cotton is expected from 10 to 12 annas in all talukas except in Chorasi, where it is estimated from 8 to 12 annas. Condition of agricultural stock good. Prices of food-grains steady in all talukas. Average price of food-grains (juwar) Olpad 10 seers 14 chhataks, Chorasi 12 seers Bardoli 9 seers 14 chhataks, Jalalpur 10 seers 8 chhataks, Chikhli 10 seers, Bulsar 9 seers 15 chhataks, Pardi 10 seers 7 chhataks, and Mandvi 10 seers 10 chhataks.

Khandesh.—Total rainfall during season to Dhulia 20 inches 88 cents. Average fall in the district 21 inches 88 cents. Harvesting of kharif and reaping of rabi continue. Standing rabi crops in good condition. Ploughing for the next season in progress scantp. Agricultural stock in fairly good condition except in three talukas Prices of food-grains, wheat 7 seers 12 chhataks, bajri 8 seers 5 chhataks jowari 9 seers 9 chhataks, and rice 6 seers 8 chhataks, against 7 seers 12 chhataks 8 seers 13 chhataks 9 seers 10 chhataks and 6 seers 6 chhataks per rupee, respectively last week.

Nasik—(For week ending 15th February 1897.—Total rainfall during reason at Nasik 31 inches 34 cents Rainfall is insufficient throughout the whole district Reaping of rabi crops commenced in some places. Collection of materials for rab in progress in Igatpuri and Peint talukas Rabi crops in bagayat lands are in good condition ; those in jirayat have withered Fodder scarce. except in Dongi parts. No marked fluctuations in the prices of food-grains. Cattle eathy except in Niphad and Nandgaon talukas

Colaba (Bombay).—Abnormal temperature nil on 10th 13th and 15th, 2° cool on 11th and 12th 1° cool on 13th and 1° warm on 16th. Vapour in air excessive on 14th defective on 16th and normal on all other days. Abnormal wind southerly on 14th ; wind normal on all other days.

Thana—Rab spreading in progress. Reaping of rabi crops commenced in Umbargaon and Vada. State of rabi crops fair in four talukas and indifferent elsewhere.

Kolaba.—Rabi collection and burning in progress Rabi crops fair. Average price of rice 8 seers 02 tolas at Alibag. Elsewhere stationary except in Panvel and Karjat taluk s, where it has risen by 75 and 68 tolas, and fallen at Roha and Mahad talukas by 25 and 40 tolas. Grain, fodder and water supply sufficient. Agricultural stock healthy.

Ranagiri.—Summer crops somewhat withering for want of sufficient moisture. Slight rise in prices of rice in Deogad and Sangroshwar talukas. Cattle healthy except in Deogad Talukas and Mandangad and Guhagar pethas. Fodder supply scanty.

Poona.—No rain during week Rainfall is insufficient throughout the district. Standing rabi crops are withering for want of rain. Fodder insufficient Agricultural stock in poor condition. Slight fall in prices of jowari in A'mbegaon Petha and rise in the prices of stample food-grains in the Junnar, Sirur Bhimthadi and Maval taiukas and petha Mulshi in the Haveli Taluka. In the remaining four talukas the pole sare stationary.

Ahmednagar.—No rain during week Reapinz of early sown rain crops continues in some places. Late sown crops in jirayat lands withering in parts and dried in others. Fodder supply getting scarce Condition of cattle same as last week. I district average price of jowari 10 seers 14 tolas.

Sholapur—(For week ending 13th Februay 1897) —Total rain fall during season at Sholapur 15 inches 87 cents, Bars

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J. J. HEATON,
Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

16th February, 1897.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 18.

At the weekly biddings for Indian Council Bills in London yesterday, 7 lakhs out of the 50 lakhs offered, were allotted to Calcutta, 2¼ lakhs to Bombay, and 4 lakhs to Madras at 1s. 3 1-16d.; besides 5 lakhs of Wire Transfers to Bombay, at 1s. 3 5-32d., at which rates tenders were accepted in full. These prices show a decline of 7-32d. for both media of remittance compared with the previous Wednesday's regular allotment rates, and of ¼d. for the Bills and 5-32d. for the Wire Transfers as against those obtained for the small extra sales made meantime. Yesterday, extra allotments of 5 lakhs of Bills on Bombay, and one lakh on Calcutta were made at 1s. 3 1-16d. It is announced that only 40 lakhs will be offered next week. The Exchange Banks' buying rate on India was reduced by 1-16d., say to 1s. 2 27-32d. per rupee.

Consols and Indian Sterling Loan were unchanged in London yesterday at 112¼ and 117¼ respectively. The market rate of discount on six months' sight Indian Bank Paper was reduced 1-8th per cent. to 1 7/8 per cent., that on short London Bills being unaltered, at 2 per cent. 3½ per cent. Rupee Securities declined 1-8th per cent. to £62½. The price of Bar Silver in London remained at 29 11-16d. per oz.; and in New York, the price of the metal was still 64 5-8 cents per oz.; but with Exchange on London ¼ cent lower, at 486¼ dollars. French Rentes in Paris advanced ¼ per cent. to 102½; Paris Exchange was a shade lower, at fcs. 25·18¾.

Yellow Guzerat Rapeseed was quoted in London yesterday at 40 1-4s. per 416lbs., sellers via Canal, March-April shipment, to Havre Antwerp, and Dunkirk, tone of the market quiet; Brown Rapeseed at 37 3-4s. per 416lbs., sellers via the Canal, March-April shipment, to Havre, Antwerp, and Dunkirk, market quiet; and Linseed at 34s. old contract, per 416lbs., business done via Canal, February-March shipment to Harve, Antwerp and Dunkirk, market flat.

A further advance of 1-32d. per lb. was established in the price of spot American Cotton in Liverpool yesterday, at 3 7-8d. per lb.; and Arrivals were 1-64d. higher, the extreme quotations being 3 53-64d. for Feb.-April deliveries, and 3 55-64d. for June-July. Other prices were unchanged. The market closed firm; Surats quiet but steady; and Arrivals steady. Sales 10,000 bales, East Indians *nil*. Imports 16,000 bales. The Manchester market was steady.

In New York yesterday, the price of ready Mid.-Uplands Cotton remained at 7 1-16 cents per lb.; but Futures for may were 7 points lower, at 6·87 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 12,000 bales; and the figures this season now compare as follows with those of the previous years for the same time:—

	1897.	1896.	1895.
Wednesday's Receipts...	12,000	10,000	17,000
Four days' do.	44,000	70,000	52,000
Since 1st Sept, 1893	5,795,000	4,294,000	6,491,000

Owing to an advance in prices of Cotton in the up-country markets, dealers here have been asking higher rates to-day, which, buyers, for the most part decline to pay. There has however, been a fair demand for ready Cotton, and Rs. 140 for "Fully Good" Bengal and Rs. 151/2 for "Fine." with survey, has been reported. Ready Broach has been done at Rs. 185 per candy.

WHEAT and SEEDS.—There is practically nothing doing in ready business in these markets by exporters, pending the result of the Plague conference at Venice, but native dealers are doing a little in forward contracts among themselves. Prices are meantime, nominally unchanged.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	6,515 bales.
Wheat	8,535 cwts.
Linseed	924 "
Gingellyseed	3,208 "
Groundnuts	1,031 "
Rice	34,479 "

EXCHANGE opened with a steady feeling at 1s. 3 1-8d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 3 9-32 to 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. A moderate amount of Merchants' Bills were placed early in the day at 1s. 3 9-32d; but for Bank Bills the enquiry has been very limited, and rates hardened 1-32d., all round, closing steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 3 3-16d.	per Rs.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 3 5-32d	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 3 7-32d.	"
Credits do.	1s. 3 5-16d.	"
Francs do.	1·61	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—There is virtually nothing doing in this market and the quotations of 99 3-4 for Money, and par for the next settlement, for 3½ per Cents are nominal to a great extent, as well as that for Threes at 96¼.

SHARES.—The market remains closed.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.
LONDON, FEB. 17.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats quiet but steady.

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The Manchester Market has been steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	112¼
3 per cent. Rentes	102½
5% per cent. Sterling Loan	117⅝
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	62½
Bar Silver	29 11-16

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, 19th February 1897.

1. There will be Class Firing at Cooria to-morrow (Saturday) the 20th instant. Trains leave Victoria Terminus at 2-30, 3, 3-30, 4-15, and 4-30 p.m (Bombay time), and Byculla 12 minutes later. Dress:—Drill order, Carbines only. Members who have not completed their Class Firing are particularly requested to attend.

2. The following Sub-divisional drills will take place next week:—

No. 1 Company.

Monday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sub-divisions.
Tuesday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Sub-divisions.
Wednesday, 8-45 p.m.—Drill for Gatacre Cup.
Thursday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 4 Sub-divisions.
Friday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 2 and 3 Sub-divisions.

By order,
H. A. H. PAYNE, Lieut.,
Adjutant B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COLONEL R. S. BROWN, V.D., COMMANDING B. V. R.
Bombay, 19th February, 1897.

1. There will be no parade on Saturday the 20th instant.
2. There will be drill for the Cyclist Section at 5-30 p.m., to-day (Friday) the 19th instant, on the Maidan, in front of the Gymkhana. Dress—any.
3. Revolver Targets will be ready on the Cooria Range to-morrow morning for any officers who may wish to practice or fire their annual course.
4. The following members having rejoined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to "A" Company:—No. 3118 Vol. D. Gellespie, No. 3548 Vol. G. Clarke, No. 3374 Vol. F. W. Quinless, and No. 3331 Vol. T. Stockbridges.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

1. There will be Troop drill on the sands, Church Gate Station, at 7 o'clock this morning. Dress—Marching order.
2. There will be no squadron drill on Tuesday next the 23rd instant.—There will be riding drill for all members the same morning, viz:—Tuesday, 23rd instant, at 7 a.m. Dress—Plain clothes.

By order,
C. MOSS, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY RIFLE CLUB.

The first dance of the Club which was fixed to take place on the 12th instant and unavoidably postponed has now been fixed to take place on Friday the 26th instant.

Fancy or Evening Dress.

Tickets can be obtained from the following:—
Captain F. W. English, Byculla School, Byculla.
Lieut. D. J. Sharp, 10 Oak Lane, Fort.
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Qr.Mr. Sergt. W. Stephens, Stephens and Sons, Girgaum.
Cr.Sergt. H. Black, Govt. Telegraph Office, Pydhonie.
Cr.Sergt. W. J. Knight, Cathedral High School, Fort.
Sergt. W. G. Nicoll, H. M.'s Mint, Fort.
Corpl. G. Lund, Lund and Blockley, Fort.
Vol. H. Row, Hope Hall Estate, Mazagon.
W. B. Green's Restaurant, Apollo Bunder.
Fancy Dress—Members Rs. 3, to include one lady; Non-Members Rs. 3, to include one Lady.
Evening Dress.—Members Rs. 3, to include one lady; Non-Members Rs 4, to include one lady.
Light Refreshments will be provided.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.—FEBRUARY 18.

10 p.m.	74·6

THURSDAY.—FEBRUARY 18.

6 a.m.	71·8
10 a.m.	78·4
2 p.m.	80·4
4 p.m.	80·1

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

DUNCAN—February 7, at Tundla, the wife of F. N. Duncan, of a son.
SPENCE—January 29, at Nagpur, the wife of R. McGavin Spence, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

SPILLER—HOUGHTON—February 6, at St. Paul's Church, Dibrugarh, Upper Assam, by the Rev. H. G. Russell, M.A., William James Spiller, eldest son of W. Spiller, Esq., R. N. (retired), of Ford, Devonport, England, to Lily Elizabeth, daughter of the late James Houghton, Esq., of Bridlington Quay, Yorkshire, and Barnes, Surrey.

DEATH.

CLARKE—February 12, at Collin's Road, Vepery, Florence Isabel, the dearly loved daughter of Charles and Sophie Clarke, aged 15 years and 3 months.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*** ALL communications intended for publication in our columns, should be addressed to the Editor, and not to any individual member of the staff.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1897.

MR. J. B. FULLER, of Allahabad, writes in the Royal Agricultural Society's Journal an interesting account of "Nile Cultivation and Nitrates." In Egypt the land has not suffered much from its antiquity; agriculture is as flourishing there as ever. There is none of the agricultural depression visible which rules in most other countries. Land is commonly let at £6 per acre and the average over the whole country is £3. We traditionally believe that the Nile is the only source of the fertility of Egypt. Without the flood nothing could be done, but it does not do away altogether with the need for manures. The long strings of camels that can be seen any day during the cold weather carrying paniers across the Nile bridge at Cairo out into the country, are laden with dust from the rubbish mounds and ruins of Old Cairo. This dust, Mr. Fuller tells us, contains from three to four per cent. of nitrate of potash, and enables the soil to produce the fine fruit and vegetables supplied to the city. He tells us also that "every site of antiquity is surrounded by a ring of high cultivation, fed from the ruin-mounds." The banks along the course of the Nile which protect the depressions behind them, are high, being yearly renewed with the mud silted up by the river at its rise. This in addition to the artificial embankments gives an upward slope to the land adjoining the river-bed. Into the embanked enclosures, the water is admitted as it is needed, and the crops are thus irrigated. The sort of millet called durra is largely grown in these enclosures. It is sown in the beginning of the flood time and reaped at the beginning of the cold weather. It is manured generally and is watered by allowing the river which stands outside the embankment, to flow in. Durra gives a return of 40 bushels to the acre. A cold weather crop follows this, generally barley, which with watering and manuring costs about £2 and gives a yield of 50 bushels to the acre. By the time that this crop is ready for irrigation, the Nile is low enough to require raising to the fields by those primitive lifts so familiar to the traveller in Egypt. The benefit of the rotation of crops is recognised in the Nile region; beans often rotate with durra and clover with maize. Other crops are also grown, but these are the chief. Ismail Pasha encouraged the cultivation of sugarcane, which although always grown in Egypt received considerable impetus from his construction of a fine canal to supply it with perennial irrigation. The canal takes water from the Nile up-stream and sends it down at a lesser gradient than the river. Sugarcane wants water as long as it stands, which is nearly a year. Sugar factories are erected along the Nile, and they, as well as the land, are administered "by a board." The sugarcane growers are bound to sell to the factory at a fixed price. They hold a three years' lease of their land, and must alternate two years' cane with one year open fallow. When the lease is out the land is let for another three years to small cultivators who grow grain or maize, and manure liberally for their grain. No manure is allowed for the cane, as it has been shown that its disadvantages are not balanced by the extra weight derived from manure. Twenty-six tons of cane per acre is the yield for the first year and seventeen for the second. The production and refining of sugar for export was practically a State monopoly, but there is competition now, and the new local capitalists have adopted the newer system of diffusion instead of the old method of pressure of the cane. Clover is found to be the best crop for renovating the soil after cane-cultivation.

The low lands, which lie behind the enclosed lands, and which are entirely submerged when the Nile is in flood, can only be cropped during the winter and summer months. The old historical method of cutivation is still adhered to, the seed is scattered in the mud, ploughing is generally omitted, hand-hoeing or scraping being sufficient to cover in the seed. Three men sow an acre a day, at a cost in wages of about eighteen pence. The country has been divided by dykes into compartments, so that the river water can be held long enough to deposit its silt. "The Nile Valley has, in fact, been converted into a series of gigantic docks, lying in two systems, one dry, the enclosures, and the other wet the basins. . . . The basins communicate with one another by regulators, which enable the irrigation officers to control the supply, and discharge each basin through those which lie below it. The last basin of each series discharges into the Nile." This system secures the "red water" containing the silt which is a *sine qua non* of fertility in the Nile Valley. Since the British occupation of Egypt much has been done to join up the old canals and thus secure an equable distribution of this silt-containing water. The chief crop in these basins is wheat, grown alternately with either beans or clover. No irrigation is required as the ground is sufficiently saturated by the inundation. Manure also is seldom needed. The return is about four quarters to the acre, and the straw is particularly long. Beans give a still better return. Other crops are grown but not of any importance. While the Nile is low—generally for four months—little is done in the way of cultivation. What is attempted requires irrigation and plentiful manuring. Consequently, it is too costly for most of the cultivators and can only be attempted where "ruin-heaps or nitrous-clay deposits offer an accessible, if impure, fertiliser." The basin area cropped with this help in the hot-weather is about 200,000 acres. The Delta of the Nile has naturally a lower depth of inundation, and the winter crops were in former times artificially irrigated. Muhammad Ali Pasha, fifty years ago, deepened the network of the channels, and protected the fields from inundation during flood-time by dykes along the Rosetta and Damietta branches. This improved the lands, and made them cultivable through the year. Cotton is now grown as an annual and covers nearly a million acres in the Delta. The channels unfortunately silt up very rapidly, and the clearing required was until lately done by forced labour on an enormous scale, but now since the *corvee* has been done away with the labour is voluntary and paid for. Dredgers play their part, and science steps in and regulates the flood current, and consequently the amount of silt let in. In the height of the flood the water rises in the river eight feet above the land surface on either side, and from a boat one looks down on the people ploughing and sowing their fields. One can fancy that the dykes require constant attention. When they are breached fearful destruction of life and property is certain. Therefore the people are only too glad to co-operate in watching the dykes; the villagers keep a watchman for every eighty yards of bank, and irrigation officers and their subordinates patrol the river constantly.

Cotton is sown in the Delta in March and must be watered every fifteen or twenty days, until the arrival of the flood in August. The great Nile Barrage, the work of French engineers under Muhammad Ali, was intended to secure a supply of water for this purpose, but the plans did not work well owing to the insufficiency of the foundation, and in 1884 Sir Colin Moncrieff and the Anglo-Indian officers of the Irrigation Department brought the work to a satisfactory conclusion. "It now holds up the Nile twelve feet above its natural level. The amount of water received by the distributing channels has been more than quadrupled. The average annual export of cotton has increased by 70,000 tons, representing an annual gain to the country of over three million pounds." Still, there is much of the Delta on the North by the salt marshes that lies waste, owing to want of irrigation water. A project is on the stocks for the erection of a large reservoir at the First Cataract below the island of Philae, but Mr. Fuller thinks it possible that the location may be changed. The immense amount of water flowing into the deepened channels in the Delta has not been without its drawbacks. The country, he says, is water-logged and sodden, and in some places a good deal of land suffers from the efflorescent salts (principally sodium sulphate) which from a like cause, have reduced to barrenness large tracts of land in Northern India. He thinks the remedy lies in surface drainage. The cost of the Dongola expedition unfortunately absorbed the sum necessary to complete this surface drainage. Turks, Greeks, and Armenians take to farming in Egypt with great vigour. The profits are large and the security felt that the English Irrigation officers will distribute the Nile water fairly between rich and poor gives the farmers confidence. When the cotton crop in the Delta is over, the country is during the winter an uninterrupted expanse of wheat, barley and clover." The cotton stands from March, when it is sown, to October. It produces eight times as much as Indian cotton, giving about 500 lbs. of lint per acre. Clover follows this crop, sown before the plants are cut, and it is cut five times between November and June. Maize follows during the flood, and wheat comes next. The ensuing flood time maize is again the crop, then clover, and that after being twice cut, is ploughed in for cotton. This gives in the space of three years a magnificent return for labour and money spent. Manuring is becoming more general than was formerly the case. The olive is largely grown in the Fayum, or the province that lies outside the Nile Valley. This deep depression in the desert gets filled from the river through an opening in the Nile Hills. But here, too, artificial irrigation is required for the usual crops. Mr. Fuller enters warmly into the subject of nitrates as fertilisers and describes the different methods for procuring them. The "red water" of the Nile supplies most, the rain-dust much, but even with these the fellaheen use a large amount of foreign nitrates to maintain the high degree of cultivation that has become the rule in Egypt.

WE are glad to notice a decrease of 183 in the mortality of the week as shown in the official returns yesterday. Instead of 1,911, the total is stated at 1,728, a sum which would be equivalent to a death-rate of 108·20 per thousand per annum on the total population 821,764. The average death-rate in Bombay at this time of the year is roughly thirty-four and a half per thousand per annum. The column "Bubonic fever" however this week shows a hundred above the previous maximum viz., 845 as against 745. And this, notwithstanding that the total mortality from all causes is less, would tend to prove that the cases of pestilence are now being more accurately recorded and the dishonest practice of certifying deaths as having occurred from other than the real causes is less common than before. The feature of the week's report however is the improved state of affairs in the Mandvie and Chuckla districts. If they be not actually as fully populated as before September last there has at least been a distinctly large return of people there. They have gone back to the buildings where plague cases originally prevailed. But in the two districts together only five fatal cases occurred, while the death from all causes only just reached forty-three, which on the population of those districts was equivalent to an annual rate of 30 per thousand—less than the average normal death-rate of the city. Of the various districts, Upper Colaba, South Fort, and Esplanade were full of fatal cases. Byculla headed the list with a hundred as compared with sixty-two last week. Parel reported sixty as compared with forty, and Mazagon, fifty; Mahim, 52, Worli 45, Dhobi Talao, Khetwadi, Tadwadi, Kamatipura, Tardeo and Sion had upwards of thirty each. Umarkhadi, Dongri, Bhuleshwar, Girgaum, Khetwadi, Walkeshwar, Nagpada, Sewree and Sion also still show double numbers. The returns of deaths from phthisis, diarrhœa, dysentry, affections of the respiratory organs and old age and debility are still answerable in the returns for higher figures than normal. The classified list for the past week shows that from the pestilence the Jains lost 11, Brahmins 28, Lingaets 4, Bhatias 1, Hindus of all other castes 679, Musalmans 38, Parsis 20, Jews 2, Native Christians 53, Eurasians 7 and Europeans 2. No less than 116 persons who died of the pestilence are set down as non-resident and unknown.

FOR the first ten months of the official year which will end on March 31st next, the gross earnings of the Railway Companies show a very heavy decline. The net decrease is 121¼ lakhs, more than one-fourth of that total having been incurred in the month of January. The decrease on the B. B. and C. I. system has been 20 lakhs, while that in the Rajputana-Malwa railway has been nearly 33 lakhs, so that there is no ground for surprise that the quotations for B. B. and C. I. railway stock have fallen of late. The decrease on the G. I. P. system has been 13¾ lakhs, but in making a comparison between this and the B. B. and C. I. line it is to be remembered that the diminution in earnings follows several years of great depression, while on the other railway business has been quite brisk for a long time. Thus in 1895-96 the average earnings per mile per week on the G. I. P. railway was only Rs. 448, while on the system of its younger rival it was Rs. 738. The East India Railway comes in between the two with an average earning of Rs. 609 per mile, but all the other lines in India are in this matter a very long way in the rear of those worked in Bombay. Rs. 337 earned by the Eastern Bengal State railway is next on the list. The heaviest decrease in earnings is reported by the North-Western railway, which is 54 lakhs behind last year's amount. For this the suspension of the ordinarily heavy wheat export trade of Karachi is mainly responsible. The Southern Maratha line has practically kept up to its ordinary level, there being only Rs. 18,000 deficit between this year's account and that of 1895-96. Among the railways whose additional earnings have helped to lessen the heavy adverse balance, the Burma State line with 7½ lakhs to the good takes first place. The Eastern Bengal is only some Rs. 14,000 behind this, and then come the Indian Midland and the Bhopal Ujjain, each nearly 4 lakhs, and the East Coast 3½ lakhs to the good. The decrease in net earnings will largely counteract the advantages that the Government of India will derive by the improvement in exchange during the year in the matter of its guarantee to holders of railway stock.

THE exaggeration, the want of proportion, which characterise some of the telegrams published in the London daily papers has excited the anger of the *Century* magazine. The Metropolitan journals, it complains, revel in accounts of cyclones and of appalling railway disasters to such a degree that nothing strikes them as too unusual to be credited. It reproduces the following cable message from a New York correspondent which the editor of a London daily published as a truthful statement of facts: "Still the heat continues, and the odour of the channel-house reigns over the city. From hundreds of decomposing human bodies and from the rotten carcasses of horses there exhales a stench that is positively sickening. Added to this horror is an epidemic of rabies. Mad dogs are running about the streets, and already more than a score of children have been bitten. The mortality due to the heat yesterday totals up 85 persons." The *Century* not unnaturally asks whether it is reasonable to suppose that a civilized city of a million and-a-half of inhabitants could have a Government incapable of removing dead bodies and of checking the running of mad dogs through its streets. The fact is that the craving for sens

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

TURKEY SENDING A FLEET TO CRETE.

LONDON, FEB. 18.

Turkey is sending four men-of-war and ten torpedo-boats to Crete immediately, and a second squadron will follow.

TURKISH RESERVES CALLED OUT.

The Turkish Military and Naval Reserves have been called out.

THE CRETAN QUESTION.

The Greek flag was rehoisted yesterday over the Greek Consulate at Canea, but low red again owing to the Powers insisting.

THE VENICE CONFERENCE.

At the Venice Conference yesterday the French Delegate strongly urged the ratification of the Paris Convention and the stoppage of pilgrimages this year.

Doctor Thorn, the British Delegate, urged the Conference to take no decision based upon ignorance, and dwelt upon the efficacy of the British system.

The discussion relative to pilgrims has been postponed until the arrival of Dr. Cleghorn.

AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT.

It is reported at Brussels that a force of 1,300 Congolese with six white officers has arrived at Lado.

REPORTED BLOCKADE OF THE PIRÆUS.

It is reported that the majority of the Powers have agreed to the blockade of the Piræus.

NEW RUSSIAN MINISTER AT TOKIO.

Baron Rosen, at present Russian Minister at Belgrade, has been appointed Russian Minister at Tokio.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, FEB. 18.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Caledonia, with the outward English mails of the 12th instant, left here for Bombay, at 11 a.m., to-day.

THE INDIAN FAMINE FUND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 18.

The subscriptions to the Indian Famine Fund amount up to this evening to Rs. 37,75,142, including the first instalment of the Victoria Contribution, Rs. 15,578.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the fund on Tuesday, it was decided to make the following further distribution of the funds :—North-West Provinces, two and-a-half lakhs ; Bengal. one lakh ; Central Provinces, one lakh; the Punjab, one lakh

Within the last fortnight. therefore, Rs. 11,90,000 have been distributed to various provinces.

SENATOR WOLCOTT'S SILVER CAMPAIGN.

ALLAHABAD, FEB. 18.

The London correspondent of the *Pioneer* wires under Wednesday's date :—Senator Wolcott is still abroad sounding France and Germany on the silver question. It is believed that the general results of the mission have hitherto been discouraging.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S COUNCIL BILLS.

The Secretary of State's weekly drawings on India, the same correspondent telegraphs will not exceed fifty lakhs during, next six weeks the and it is probable that from the end of March to the end of September drawings will be practically suspended.

WEDDING AT POONA.

POONA, FEB. 18.

The wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, this evening, of Captain Duncan, son of Major-General Duncan, Commanding Poona District, with Miss Helen Buckle, daughter of the late Mr. Buckle, I.C.S. A large number of military and civilian officers assembled. The bridegroom was accompanied by his bestman, Captain Delisle. After a short while, the bride came leaning on the arm of Captain Ogilvie, who walked up, and she was followed by two little pages. The bridesmaids were Miss Duncan, Miss Birdie Duncan, Miss Spages and Miss Creagh. The dresses of some of them were very much admired. The Rev. Mr. Horne, Chaplain, St. Mary's, assisted by Rev. Mr. Haslope officiated. The party returned to Polo Vista, the residence of General and Mrs. Duncan, where a reception was held. The toast was proposed by General Duncan, who said that, in proposing the toast of the bride and bridegroom, he was not going to make a speech as it was no longer the custom to do so, and would only ask those present to join him in drinking the health with three hearty cheers, which were responded with vigour. The married couple have gone to Kharakwasla for the honeymoon. The presents were numerous, some of them being very handsome.

PAPER CHASE.

A paper chase was organised by the officers of the 2nd Bombay Lancers, which came of to-day from the Cavalry parade ground. A good number of competitors turned out and the course was laid out cleverly. There were several water jumps. At the start, Captain Kenny had a bad fall. After that Mrs. Cobban fell. The distance of the run was four miles, which was completed in twenty minutes. Mr. Abbey, 2nd Lancers, came first, Mrs. Cobban and Miss Newnham-Smith were the only ladies who rode the course.

MADRAS INFANTRY POLO TOURNAMENT.

SECUNDERABAD. FEB. 18.

A very interesting game was the second round of the Madras Infantry polo tournament played last evening between the Cheshire's and Welsh from Bellary, the latter winning amid much enthusiasm, by three goals and two subsidiaries to the Cheshire's one goal.

Rain has fallen heavily in the districts since yesterday and the clouds overhead portend more rain to-day.

THE DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN RANGOON.

RANGOON, FEB. 18.

The loss by the recent fire in Rangoon is now estimated at over five lakhs of rupees.

THE STEAMER ASAMA.

The wrecked steamer Asama was sold yesterday. The rice salved, about 600 tons, was sold for Rs. 14,000. The unsalved rice is over 4,500 tons and was sold for Rs. 600, and the steamer for Rs. 7,500.

PLAGUE PRECAUTIONS IN RANGOON.

At yesterday's meeting of the Port Commissioners it was decided to take no action at present under the Epidemic Diseases Act. A senior Civil Surgeon has been placed on special duty with an assistant to inspect steamers from infected ports, and godowns, steamers, passengers and cargoes are to be fumigated.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, FEB. 18.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Manilla (extra) left here for Bombay, to-day, and may be expected to arrive on the 1st March.

The German East Africa Line steamer Safari left Zanzibar, for Bombay, on the 17th instant via Lamu and Mombassa.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE Viceroy, as at present arranged, will leave Calcutta on March 26th or 27th.

LIEUTENANT R. E. D. GOLDINGHAM, R.E., Assistant Engineer, deputed to Bombay by the Government of India as extra officer for famine relief works in place of Lieutenant F. G. Turner, R.E., is posted to the Southern Division.

MR. W. C. RAND, I.C.S., has been appointed Assistant Collector, Poona, and to have charge of the operations against plague in Poona City.

MR. T. HART-DAVIES has been permitted to resign Her Majesty's Civil Service on the Bombay Establishment with effect from the 20th February.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT R. F. Standage has been appointed District Medical Officer, Sholapur, under Sections 48 and 173 of the Famine Relief Code.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. McCloghry, F. R. C. S. I., has been appointed Civil Surgeon Karachi, vice Brigade-Surgeon-Lieut-Colonel G. Bainbridge. M. D., M. R. C. P. ; Surgeon-Major W. H. Burke, M. B., to be Medical Officer to the Kathiawar Political Agency in charge of the West Hospital, Rajkot, vice Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel McCloghry.

LEAVE for two months has been granted to Mr. A. K. Oliver, Assistant Commissioner and Assistant Taxing Master, High Court, Bombay.

THE High Court on its Original Side will be closed from Monday the 5th April to Saturday the 5th June 1897, both days inclusive.

DURING the week ending on Tuesday, February 15, British dollars valued Rs. 14,99,000 were transferred to the Customs House for export, while new coins for famine relief payments were issued to the value of Rs. 71,000. Silver, worth Rs. 12,46,000 was received during the week for British dollar coinage.

MR. A. H. M. OSTERHAN has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of Police in the Upper Sind Frontier District pending further orders.

MR. A. L. M. WOOD, I.C.S., has been appointed Chief Inspector of Factories for the Town and Island of Bombay vice Mr. J. McNeill.

SURGEON-MAJOR R. J. BAKER, M.D., on relief by Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. H. Henderson, F.R.C.S., is placed under the orders of the Commissioner in Sind.

SURGEON-CAPTAIN A. J. HEATH, M.B., has been appointed Assistant Surgeon to the David Sassoon Hospital and Assistant to the Civil Surgeon, Poona, vice Surgeon-Major W. H. Burke, M.B.

SURGEON-MAJOR J. P. BARRY, M.B., has been placed under the orders of the Collector of Poona for duty in the City of Poona.

A TEMPORARY appointment of Under Secretary to Government in the General, Educational, Marine and Ecclesiastical Departments, has been created and Mr. C. G. Fawcett, I.C.S., is appointed to hold it.

MR. A. U. FANSHAWE, on completion of his special duty in connection with postal legislation, has resumed charge of the Director-Generalship of Post Offices in India.

MAJOR S. D. GORDON, 19th Bengal Lancers, is confirmed as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Bengal Command, *vice* Major Travers.

COLONEL CRAIGIE has been appointed Assistant Adjutant-General, Madras Command, but will continue to officiate at Army Head-quarters, Simla, until Colonel Jeffreys returns from leave.

PERSIA has imposed fifteen days' quarantine against plague on its land frontier marching with Afganistan and Baluchistan. It will be almost impossible to enforce this except on one or two caravan routes.

THE inspection of railway passengers for Calcutta is now in full swing at Khana junction. Both the mail train and the passenger express were detained on Monday morning. The European passengers were subjected to little inconvenience beyond being disturbed in their slumbers about 4-30 a.m.

THE total value of the foreign trade of Calcutta in the past month was 625 lakhs, representing a falling off of nearly thirteen per cent. While imports fell in value by four per cent., the decrease under exports was as much as seventeen per cent.

THE Hon. Mr. Risley, President, and the other members of the Medical Board met the Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce the other afternoon. The Committee declined to discuss plans for the embarkation of pilgrims either from Diamond Harbour or Port Canning, on the ground that the whole mercantile community protested against pilgrims being permitted to embark from Calcutta or the Hughli. The Committee further expressed the opinion that the Haj should not be allowed to take place this year.

IN the Punjab-Bengal Army Football Cup the match Black Watch vs. Royal Irish was played at Umballa, on Monday, the ground having quite recovered from the recent rain. The Black Watch started favourites. The Royal Irish won the toss, and played with a slight wind. Ten minutes from the start Jamieson, after a good run, shot into goal, but the ball was fisted out by the goal-keeper. However Smith, backing up well, headed the ball into the net, and drew first blood for the Black Watch. From this point to half-time the game was fairly even, both goal keepers saving well. After the interval the Black Watch, with the slight wind in their favour, pressed, the Royal Irish seldom being dangerous. Eight minutes from the finish the Black Watch got another goal, and finally ran out the winners by two goals to nothing. Aitken played a first-rate game for the Highlanders. The Royal Irish played a plucky game, but the best team undoubtedly won.

SOME merchants were arrested the other day by the officers of the Amir, having in their possession 400 camels loaded with wheat which they had purchased in the Mohmand country with the intention of selling the same at Peshawar. Such action being contrary to the orders of the Amir, the wheat was confiscated and the camels released.

GOOD showers of rain have fallen in the Ferozepore district, and such rabi crops as have been sown, are stated to be pretty safe. In the Moga tahsil the well-to-do landholders and cultivators, and even some money-lenders have started a private subscription for the benefit of the field menials who have suffered for want of work caused on account of the large areas lying idle at present. Some fifteen thousand rupees have been collected, and the money is being utilised in digging tanks. The Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner are out in camp inspecting these works, which has encouraged both the subscribers and the field menials. The widening and extension of the inundation canals has, also, been taken in hand, it will provide work for over three thousand people for the next three months, and if the earth-work of the new railway between Ferozepore and Ludhiana is started soon, none need suffer for want of work.

AN entertainment given at Calcutta in honor of Mr. G. C. Scaramanga, of Messrs. Ralli Brothers, on the eve of his departure from India, by the Indian Piece-goods Merchants and Trades principally Marwari gentlemen at the garden house of Babu Ghunsham Dass Goenka last Friday evening, was one of the most gorgeous of its kind. The extensive grounds were very gaily decorated with strings of flags running right across them, and the illuminations were on a large scale, the numberless Chinese lanterns on the trees enhancing the effectiveness of the scene. Messrs. F. Penli supplied the refreshments, and the entertainment included some clever tricks by a well-known native juggler, Professor Ganguli's marvellous card tricks, asplendid display of fire-works on the side of the artificial lake, and *nautches*. There were about 150 European ladies and gentlemen present, and a large crowd of native gentlemen, representing all sections of the community.

A CORRESPONDENT writes :—On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Cooper held a sale of fancy articles and needlework in her beautiful grounds at Cawnpore. She had for weeks past set an example of industry and ingenuity to the whole neighbourhood by her activity in getting together articles both ornamental and useful for the stalls. These were displayed beneath tents on the spacious lawn, where the scene became more and more picturesque as one fair lady after another appeared in light summer costuume to take up her post at the stall assigned her. The strains performed by the Volunteer band enlivened the afternoon, and the only pity was that more people had not found their way to a spot which offered so many attractions. But at this gay season of the year it is difficult to fix on an afternoon that is not taken up by some counter attractions ; and upon this occasion a local cricket match and the Lucknow races made serious opposition. The proceeds of one stall are to go towards the Cawnpore branch of the C. E. Zenana Misson. Another consisting of carved wood work, done by the boys of the T. P. G. Mission School, will aid their own fund, and the remaining sums are to be spent on different local charities.

SPECIAL measures are being taken by the Municipality at Simla to guard against the introduction of the plague. At a Committee meeting on the 9th of February the President of the Municipality reported to the effect that last week he ordered a special extra gang of 25 sweepers with two Jamadars under the supervision of the Overseer and the Assistant Secretary and Engineer, to thoroughly cleanse every nook and corner of every lane, ally and street in the Burra Bazaar and to remove and destroy all rubbish, refuse and dirty material. Also to lime wash all drains, plinths, &c., and the outside walls of houses up to about three feet. This work is nearly completed, and similar measures will be undertaken for the special cleansing of the other bazaars. Special notices have been and are being served on certain occupiers of premises in the bazaars to have their premises lime washed for sanitary reasons. The President also mentioned that the unoccupied new Distillery buildings, the property of the Municipality, are available for a quarantine or segregation hospital should such be necessary. Resolved.—(1) that the systematic special cleansing of every part of the station be continued, all rubbish, &c., being removed and destroyed. (2) That a notice be served on the owner or occupier of each house in the Station Ward to lime wash, for sanitary reasons, the outside and inside of their servants' houses and to thoroughly cleanse their compounds [Section 107 (1) Act XX of 1891]. (2) That the President speak with the Deputy Commissioner about Kalka.

THE Agra assault case has again been before the Cantonment Magistrate. Dr. Bysack, who examined Surgeon-Captain Nesbitt, after the assault, said that on the top of his head there was a contused wound about two inches long, exposing the bone. It was a grievous hurt, probably caused by a blunt weapon such as a lathi. He could not follow his ordinary pursuits for 20 days. After some formal evidence had been recorded the first accused, Molesworth, stated that he struck Dr. Nesbitt owing to his having insulted Mrs. Molesworth and uttered a most vulgar taunt. Vigar, the second accused, gave corroborative evidence, and Mr. Moore then addressed the Court, asking for the discharge of his clients, as the assault had been committed on grave and sudden provocation. Mr. George Wiggins, the complainant's pleader, replied, pointing out that the story of provocation, if established, would not exculpate but merely mitigate the offence. The Court, agreeing with Mr. Wiggins, drew up charges against both the accused under Sections 447, 323, and 325, Indian Penal Code. The accused were enlarged on bail pending the next hearing.

THE Government of India has again declined to comply with the Madras Government's request to cancel its resolution making Madras a pilgrim port. The matter has now been referred by the Madras Government to the Secretary of State, who will have been prepared for such reference by the resolutions passed at last Wednesday's public meeting and by the representations of the London Chamber of Commerce made in compliance with the telegraphic instructions of the local Chamber of Commerce.

THERE is reason to fear—Mr. Gladstone might say to hope—that the Sultan is ill, because the Porte has categorically denied that there is anything the matter with his health. But what is this mysterious epidemic affecting Imperial crowned heads ? The Czar is undoubtedly suffering, the swelled head of the German Emperor is a hopeless case, and now His Imperial Majesty the Sultan is causing anxiety. We need some Pasteur to deal with the microbe that infests the lining of Imperial crowns.

THE National Alliance for the Increase of the Population of France, a body founded by Dr. Bertillon, the discoverer of the system of mensurating criminals, has (the Paris correspondent of the *Daily News* says) petitioned the Prime Minister to coerce men and women to bring up families, a task towards which the French show more and more dislike every year. The Frenchman boasts of the most thorough going system of compulsory military service. The league proposes to deprive him further of his liberty by making him amenable to compulsory fatherhood. The plan is that Government scholarships in schools and academies shall be given only to families having at lerst three children living that all the favours of Government (such as tobacconists' licences, concessions in the Colonies, &c.,) shall be given to such families, that when claims of Government officials for promotion are decided their number of children shall be taken into account, that allowances and travelling expenses to officials as well as the salaries of subalterns shall be regulated according to the number of children, that posts under Government, except those requiring special qualifications, shall be given only to fathers having more than three children. It has been said that France loses every year a battle of Sedan. Her population increases by a paltry 50,000 a year, while Germany in the same period adds something like half a million. It might be pointed out that the balance of power in Europe nevertheless remains unchanged owing to the prolificness of France's Russian allies, but the Frenchman looks upon this as cold comfort. Those who have given a thought to the question of depopulation confess themselves disheartened and foremost among them is Dr. Bertillon, who, as Government statistician, ought to know. Already something has been done to encourage large families. For instance, every seventh child may be educated and boarded at school at the expense of the nation. This law was passed some years ago, but no results are apparent. The memorandum handed to M. Meline shows a panic-stricken state of mind. There is one objection to it that seems fatal. Who is to decide that men or women are fitted for marriage, or being married that they ought to have children ? If any far-reaching scheme for the repopulation of France by means of repeated penalties were seriously put before the constituencies, it would upset present divisions of parties. Heads of large families would form an interest just like brewers or manufacturers, and would vote for the candidate that promised them the largest bonus per head. The heads of small families and bachelors would probably object to bringing up other people's children, and as they form the majority of the population I do not see much hope for Dr. Bertillon's scheme.

"NEVER prophesy unless you know" is a maxim which the St. Petersburg "Viedomosti" should take to heart. If ever a war breaks out between Russia and Japan, "which," says the "Viedomosti" piously, "is the will of God," Russia will seize Fusan and Port Arthur to prevent Japan doing so, and thus command the situation. This, of course, reads very well on paper, but there is an instructive historic parallel which must not be forgotton. Another St. Petersburg paper, called the "Novosti," came out with a prophetic article some years ago pointing out that the inevitable expansion of Russia eastwards and southwards through Persia neeessitated the command of the Persian Gulf by means of a certain little-known island at the mouth of the Gulf, and so on to Karachi. By a curious "accident" the papers which contained a translated summary of this article contained also a small-type paragraph to the effect that the Union Jack had on the previous day been hoisted upon that little-known island at the mouth of the Persian Gulf The prophesy of the "Novosti" remains in consequence exactly where it was

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

DR. COWASJI HORMUSJI presided at the adjourned monthly meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation held yesterday afternoon.

DR. HAFFKINE'S ASSISTANT.

On the motion of Dr. Balchandra the Corporation recorded the following resolution of the Standing Committee :—"That memorandum from the Commissioner of this day's date and the accompaniments thereto be forwarded to the Corporation with the expression of the Standing Committee's approval of the action taken by the Commissioner. That the Commissioner be asked to address Government with a view to the appointment of Dr. N. F. Surveyor as Assistant to Dr. Haffkine in connection with the experiments in question."

THE SEGREGATION HUTS.

Dr. Bhalchandra proposed that the resolution of the Standing Committee forwarding the following letter of the Commissioner be recorded :—Sir,—I have the honour to report, for the information of the Standing Committee, that, in accordance with the views of an influential deputation which waited on me as regards the erection of temporary huts with the idea of providing change of air for those wishing to leave infected locatities during the present outbreak of the plague, I have given orders to the Executive Engineer to erect pandals in the Northbrook Gardens and on the vacant ground opposite the Victoria Gardens for the accommodation of such persons as may wish to avail themselves of a change of air. If the experiment proves successful, I propose to erect similar pandals on other vacant plots of ground which may be approved by the Executive Health Officer. The cost of these temporary huts will be defrayed from the grant sanctioned and to be sanctioned by the Corporation for the suppression of the bubonic plague. I would point out that the whole matter is experimental, and it will be clear that, if this accommodation is not made use of at such adjacent and convenient sites, the plan is little likely to succeed elsewhere.—I have, &c., P. C. H. SNOW, Commissioner.

Professor Muller observed that educated natives should induce and bring their influence to bear on the poor people to occupy the huts that were erected in different parts of the town by the Municipality.

Dr. Bahadhurji : Have you seen those huts ?

Mr. Shroff said that the huts erected by the Municipality were so miserable that even the poorest class of people would not care to occupy them. Those huts were so constructed as to afford no protection from the strong northerly breeze which blew at that time of the year, to the occupants. The huts at Victoria Gardens and those at Northbrook Gardens were personally inspected by Mr. Shroff and he found they were not even so good as those erected for the use of the servants in the compound of their bungalows.

Veterinary Major Mills agreed with what fell from Professor Muller and observed that the huts were all that was required, and though they were not palaces, they were quite suitable for the purpose for which they were intended. The huts were much better than sheds in which the poor people ordinarily lived. The more they lived in a primitive state the more healthy they would be. The more they civilized the men the more unhealthy they became.

Dr. Ismail Jan Mahomed had seen the huts himself and found that they were hardly suitable to the purpose for which they were required. If the poor were made to remove themselves from their places they would have to go and live in these huts with their children and family and they would suffer and die of diseases other than the plague.

Mr Shroff remarked that they would die of pneumonia.

Dr. Katrak believed that those who took exception to the huts were carried away by the appearance of the huts. They could not erect palaces and the structures were just what was necessary. The Municipal huts were in no way inferior to the private sheds erected by men of means for their own use at Santa Cruz and Andheri.

Mr. Hamilton observed that when the sheds were put up the Municipal officers were convinced in their minds they would not be usd by them. A strong pressure in the shape of public opinion was brought to bear upon them and they were accordingly put up. The huts were meant for the poorest of the poor who could afford to secure lodgings elsewhere when their own huts were burnt over their heads. But the men were so conservative in their character and apathetic in their nature that even when the huts were burnt down over their heads they would not avail themselves of the accommodation offered. Hence no moral persuasion would; be of any avail in the case of these men.

Dr. Bahadhurji described the huts as most insanitary, which exposed the occupants to the inclemency of the weather He strongly protested against the barbarous practice of burning poor men's huts without finding adequate accommodation for them elsewhere (Hear, hear.) He condemned the system now followed of flushing the houses and streets with phenyle and lime washing of houses which was pursued only under the belief that it destroyed the germs and which was only a pure waste of money. A theory had been propounded that the lime-washing of the walls of the House of Correction would prevent the plague bacillus finding its way over such walls, but to their great chagrin it was found that the bacillus had succeeded in climbing over the walls notwithstanding the lime washing about which so much had been said and written of late.

Mr. Badrudin Kur also agreed with what fell from Dr. Bahadurji.

Mr. Mulji Barbhaya also protested against burning of huts before suitable accommodation was offered to the occupants, and the damage done to their property was adequately compensated. Mr. Vatcha moved a rider to the original motion to the effect that the Commissoner be requested to be so good as to pay attention to the necessity of constructing the huts on such sanitary bases as might prove useful to the class of people for whom such huts were constructed.

The rider having been accepted by Dr. Bhalchandra, the motion together with it was put to vote and carried.

THE ANTI-TOXIC SERUM.

Dr. Bhalchandra proposed that the following resolution of the Standing Committee be recorded "That the following be forwarded to the Corporation with Letter to the Secretary, from the Commissioner as under :—Sir,—In reply to Standing Committee's Resolution No. 10103, dated 30th December 1896, I have the honour to inform you that Dr. Yersin has proceeded direct to Indo-China and has no serum with him, but hopes to have some ready in February. I have asked the French Consul to kindly keep me informed on this head. Professor Haffkine is daily working in the same direction, and reasonable hopes are being entertained of his success, in which case a sufficient supply of anti-toxic serum will ere long be available on the spot.—I have, &c, P. C. H. Snow, Commissioner."

The Municipal Commissioner said that Dr. Yersin had already started from Tonkin and was likely to be in Bombay about the middle of March. He was bringing out a little quantity of the curative serum. The Government of India had been written to by him asking that in order to expedite Dr. Yersin's travelling it quarantine should not be enforced in his case.

The letter was recorded.

MEDICAL OFFICERS AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS.

Dr. Bhalchandra moved that the Commissioner's letter, forwarding supplementary list of the establishment employed by the Health Officer in connection with the appearance of bubonic plague, among them being the employment of four medical officers on a salary of Rs. 250 each be recorded.

Dr. Bahadhurji said that the so-called medical officers who were employed by the Health Department, were men who were allowed private practice and therefore unable in the nature of things to attend to the duties to which they were appointed on a salary of Rs. 250. Although there were so many medical men available not one of them was sent to assist the doctor in charge of the Arthur Road Hospital when he was sorely in need of one. The Health Officer had appointed these men to do no particular kind of work. He would in a future meeting submit the antecedents of some of the officers. The excuse put forth by the Health Officer for not providing the hospital with the required assistance was altogether falsified by their own statement, which showed that those medical men after attending to their ward-duties found themselves free to attend to various engagements other than Municipal. When great pressure was brought to bear on the Department the most that they did was to secure an extra cook and an additional ward-boy for the hospital, but they did not give any extra medical assistance or extra nurses. To enable the Corporation to judge if the Health Department had engaged men who were quite suited to the purpose it was necessary that a statement showing their qualifications and work should be submitted to the Corporation. (Hear, hear.) He was of opinion that the Health Officer had engaged men who by reason of their antecedents ought never to have been appointed. These officers were certainly not engaged on such high salaries only for the purpose of superintending the sprinkling of phenyle in and out of houses and to certify in a most primitive merciless and barbarous manner that a particular person was suffering from the plague, and that he should be removed to hospital, where for want of sufficient staff the patient had none to take care of him but had to take of care himself. That was hardly a creditable state of things for the Municipality at such a juncture. Money was being most extravagantly and wantonly wasted as if there was a general loot out the Municipal exchequer. (Hear, hear.) He strongly protested against the wanton waste of money for lime-washing and other purposes which was calculated to do no good, either to the sick or the healthy. Misdirected energy was doing more harm than good. (Hear, hear.) He then moved an amendment to the effect that the Commissioner be requested to favour the Corporation with a complete statement giving the qualifications of the medical officers in question and the reports of their work shewing the time spent by them on such work. The Commissioner be also requested to inform the Corporation whether the officers were allowed to carry on private practice.

Mr. Bomanji Master seconded the amended.

Mr. Wacha strongly supported the amendment.

The Municipal Commissioner said that the amendment had taken him by surprize. The Corporation would remember that at a crisis like the present, the executive had no choice in engaging the serious of a medical staff required for the suppression of the plague. The executive hardly had time to enquire into the antecedents of forty to fifty men. With regard to the Arthur Road Hospital money was not spent because it was doubtful if people would avail themselves of it. For over three months not a single man could be got to go to the hospital. He did not believe the Corporation contemplated to convert it in to a general hospital.

On a division the amendment was lost by one vote, the original motion being carried by 16 votes to 15.

A poll was demanded, and some discussion ensued as to whether a poll could be demanded on the amendment which was declared lost. The President allowed "poll" on the original motion, the result being that the motion was carried by 17 votes to 16.

The Corporation then adjourned to Monday next.

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT VICTORIA.

THE Indian Troop Service Transport Victoria, Captain W. D. G. Worcester, R. N. R., arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Southampton, which port she left on the 27th January, and called at Malta on the 3rd instant, Alexandria on the 6th, Port Said on the 7th and Suez on the 8th. She has brought drafts from Southampton, details from Malta, and the 1st Battalion, Gloscester Regiment from Alexandria, consisting of 81 officers, 14 ladies, 7 children, 8 warrant officers, 8 women, and 18 children, 1,142 men rank and file, 30 women, and 44 children. The Victoria had a fine passage throughout. All the troops landed at the Sassoon Dock. The first train to Deolali with 7 officers, 1 warrant officer, 262 men, 20 women, and 32 children, left Sassoon Dock at 6-5 p.m. last evening, and is timed to arrive at Deolali at 5-15 a.m. the morning. The second train to Deolali, with 9 officers and 450 men, left Sassoon Dock at 6-40 p.m., and is expected to reach Deolali at 6-15 a.m. The third train to Deolali, with 9 officers, 1 warrant officer, and 200 men, started from Sassoon Dock at 7-25 p.m. and is timed to arrive at Deolali at 7 a. m. this morning The fourth train went from Sassoon Dock, at 8-10 p.m., with 4 officers, 258 men, 2 women, and 5 children, and is timed to arrive at Poona, Ghorpuri, at 9-30 a.m., to-day. Subjoined is the list of officers:—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON TO BOMBAY.

Lieut Col G P Owen, R A
Major and Mrs J D H Waller, R A
Capt and Mrs M S Pasley, and 2 children, R A
Capt and Mrs E D H Buckley and 2 children, R A
Lieut H B Mayne, R A
2nd Lieut W O S Sanders, R A
2nd Lieut G A Jamieson, R A
Lieut L A Smith, R H A
Lieut Col R J F Banfield, Welsh Regt
Major and Mrs F R Parkinson, 2nd Welsh Regt
Capt H Harkness, 2nd Welsh Regt
Major W H Frodshaw, E Surry Regt
Capt and Mrs F de B Young, J S Corps
Capt W Ewbank, R E
Capt and Mrs A B Dyson, 2 R Scots
Brig Surg Lt Col 'W B Slaughter, A M Staff
Surg Major J W H Flanagan, A M Staff
Surg Major and Mrs W J R Rainsford, A M Staff
Surg Major and Mrs H C Kirkpatrick, A M Staff
Surg Lieut E B Steele, A M Staff
Surg Lieut D Lawson, A M Staff
Lieut H E Foster, 2nd Middlesex Regt
2nd Lieut F E Swainson, 2nd Middlesex Regt
Lieut O P S Ingham, 1st Dorset Regt
Lieut C Corbett, Royal Navy
Lieut A J Eccles, 16th Lancers
Lieut C F Vander Be, 16th Lancers
Vety Lieut A C Wilson, A V Dept
Vety Lieut W S Anthony, A V Dept
2nd Lieut S E W Thompson 4th Hussars
2nd Lieut A Halford, 19th Hussars
2nd Lieut W D Wright, 1st R W Surrey Regt
2nd Lieut G S Hibberd, 1st R Fusiliers
2nd Lieut E S Hill, 1st R Fusiliers
2nd Lieut D M Oliver, 1st Norfolk Regt
2nd Lieut H du B Oneill, 1st Bedford
2nd Lieut T C Fitz-Hugh, 2nd R Irish
2nd Lieut D S George, 1st R Scots Fus
2nd Lieut E L Roddy, 1st Cheshire Regt
2nd Lieut H W Grubb, 2nd Border Regt
2nd Lieut D M Govan, 2nd R Sussex
2nd Lieut R Riley, 2nd Yorks L I
2nd Lieut W L Formley, 1st Wilts Regt
2nd Lieut G F W Brindley, 2nd Manch
2nd Lieut C Garvice, 2nd R Dublin Fus
2nd Lieut H B D Baird, unattached list
2nd Lieut F F Innes Lillington, unattached list
2nd Lieut R W de C Rennick, Rev A L Mason, Acting C of E Chaplain
Rev L J Mathews, Actihg R. Chaplain
Wife of Lieut Ward, J S Corps
Lieut A S Benwell, J S Corps
Lieut R J Chamberlain, R O S Bord
2nd Lieut R W Gillespie, Rifle Brigade
Daughter of Late Col Baird, A P Dept

FROM ALEXANDRIA TO BOMBAY.

Lieut E P Wilford, 1st Gloucester Regt
Major S Humphrey, 1st Gloucester Regt
Major W R P Wallace, 1st Gloucester Regt
Capt and Mrs C H Hill and child, 1st Gloucster Regt
Capt and Mrs H C G Potts and child, 1st Gloucester Regt
Capt G S Tullock, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut R Connor, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut F S Stayner, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut R P Jordan, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut F C Nisbet, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut R M M Davy, 1st Gloucester, Regt
Lieut C S Knox, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut R E Rising, 1st Gloucester Regt
Lieut R C Smith, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut W A M Temple, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut A H Radice, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut J E Luck, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut C J Hickie, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut W L B Hill, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut P H Short, 1st Gloucester Regt
2nd Lieut R J Rawson, 1st Gloucester Regt
Capt and Ajut H O Fyffe, 1st Gloucester Regt.
Lieut and Pr Mr R J Gray, 1st Gloucester Regt

FROM MALTA TO BOMBAY.

Major and Mrs Guise and child, R A
Capt B Pratt Barlow, 2nd Dorset
Surg Lieut Col and Mrs S H Carter, A M Staff
Surg Major J Riordan, A M Staff

THE GHAZI OUTRAGE AT LAHORE.

THE Ghazi who murdered a European woman in Anarkalli bazaar, Lahore, a crowded thoroughfare of Lahore, at eleven o'clock in the daytime on February 2nd, was tried on Monday before Mr. W. O. Clarke, Sessions Judge. The ghazi pleaded guilty. The evidence given before the committing Magistrate was repeated in part. Mahommed Ramzan, ex-Lance-Duffadar, detailed the circumstances under which he arrested the ghazi. Witness met the ghazi near the Lahori gate and eight or nine hundered people were following him, shouting to catch him. The ghazi turned round to the people, holding a knife up, and threatened death to any one who came near. The Duffadar watched his opportunity, when the ghazi's eyes were turned to the crowd, and jumping forward seized him firmly from behind, wrestling the knife away. The ghazi struggled without success and then asked the Duffadar what his religion was. He received the answer "Mahomedan." The ghazi replied No ; he was a Kaffir. Evidence was given by the husband of the murdered woman, who is still in the hospital from the effects of a stab in the arm, the radial artery being severed in two places. The only important statement was that he never heard or saw the ghazi till his wife fell on some crockery, and no one asked for alms, as the gharry walla stated. He turned to attack the ghazi, his wife getting up and walking into the shop. He thought she was not severely wounded. Witness warded off the blow the ghazi aimed at his chest and received a severe arm cut. The evidence was interpreted to the ghazi in Pushtu. He returned no answer and simply smiled, nodded his head and looked up to the ceiling. The assessors at once returned a verdict of guilty under Sections 302 and 307, Indian Penal Code. The Sessions Judge agreed with the assessors and sentenced the ghazi to be hanged. The sentence was interpreted to the murderer in Pushtu, but he received the announcement with as complete an indifference as had characterised his demeanour throughout.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending February 16 was 1,728, giving a death-rate of 108·20 per annum per thousand as against 35·68 the corresponding period of last year, and 34·42 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 1,154 died from fevers, bubonic symptoms being reported in 845 of them ; 5, small-pox ; 9, measles ; 2, leprosy ; 114, phthisis ; 35, diseases of the nervous system ; 145, affections of the respiratory organs ; 40, diarrhœa ; 37, dysentery ; 18, still-born ; 69, old age and debility ; 7, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 23 ; Brahmin, 64 ; Lingaet, 4 ; Bhattia, 6; Hindus of other caste, 1,069 ; Hindu out caste, 137 ; Mussalman, 275 ; Parsee, 55 ; Jewa 3 ; Native Christian, 75 ; Eurasian, 11 ; European, 5 ; Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 71 as against 330 the corresponding period of last year, and 284 the average over the past five years.

THE Pondicherry Administration is adopting severe precautionary measures to prevent cases of bubonic plague from entering the Colony. A Committee composed of official and non-official members has been formed under the presidency of the Doctor-in-Chief to prepare and submit to Government rules and regulations to be observed in respect to all passengers and travellers entering French territory whether by sea or by land. It is proposed to establish four medical depots at the frontier stations where all travellers will be stopped and thoroughly examined by a competent medical officer, and any affected patients will be removed to a bubonic hospital to be established at Villanur, five miles distant from Pondicherry, where they will have to remain until discharged by the hospital doctor. Passengers arriving by rail and steamer will be subject to similar regulations. The arrangements are to come into force immediately.

THE EPIDEMIC.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty four hours ending, at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

		Attacks.	Deaths
A	Upper Colaba	1	1
	Middle and Lower Colaba	1	3
	Fort, Southern	1	1
	Fort, Northern	0	2
	Esplanade	0	0
B	Mandvi	0	0
	Chukla	0	1
	Umarkhadi	0	4
	Dongri	4	3
C	Market	2	1
	Dhobi Talao	7	4
	Fanaswadi	5	1
	Bhuleshwar	1	0
	Khara Talao	0	2
	Khumbarwada	3	4
D	Khetwadi	1	5
	Girgaum	4	2
	Chaupati	1	3
	Walkeshwar	8	4
	Mahalakshmi	9	6
E	Mazagon	9	5
	Tadwadi	6	3

the outbreak of the disease have now made arrangements to return to Bombay to resume business here.

DIAGRAMS OF THE PESTILENCE.

Some time ago we referred to the diagrams prepared from the first outbreak of the disease by Mr. James, the Drainage Engineer, showing its progress in the various parts of the city affected by it. The system has since been further elaborated by Mr. James, who has now been granted a small staff of clerks to keep it up to date. It is not too much to say that these diagrams will hereafter form valuable data in regard to the history of the disease. His Excellency Lord Sandhurst visited the Municipal Buildings on Tuesday afternoon, and inspected the diagrams, which were placed in the Council Hall for his convenience. The maps were explained by Mr. Snow and Mr. James, and his Excellency remarked after he had inspected them that he had obtained considerable insight into the course the disease had taken. Amongst the most valuable of the many diagrams thus prepared, mention may be made of one showing the relation of the various meteorological conditions—temperature, cloud, humidity, wind velocity and so on—to the disease. It is too early as yet to definitely state the conclusions that can be drawn from this department of the Drainage Engineer's compilation, but it may at once be said that more than one theory as to the effect of this meteorological condition will probably be dissipated by it. The charts showing the progress of the disease in given localities and the effect thereon of lime-washing and cleansing operations are especially interesting. They indicate clearly that a series of warnings invariably precede the epidemic form of a disease in any given locality and enable conclusions to be drawn as to the period of incubation. To all students of epidemiology whether from a clinical, sanitary or bacteriological point of view, these diagrams, when they find their way into official blue-books will be of very great value.

THE PAREL AUXILIARY HOSPITAL.

This morning ten of the convalescent patients in the Arthur Road Hospital will be transferred to the hospital in Government House, Parel. This will start the Parel hospital, where the arrangements for the reception of patients are now being completed.

The number of patients in the Arthur Road Hospital yesterday afternoon was 130. There is now not so much of the repugnance to being taken to that hospital that prevailed during the commencement of the epidemic. The scare and disposition to panic has diminished pari passu with an increase in the number of cures, the dread created by the sense of unknown danger having largely passed away. The population seems to have at length realised that after all the number of those who escape is infinitely greater than of those who are attacked, and that of those who are attacked not a few recover. The people are besides reassured by the extent of the cleansing and disinfecting processes carried out by the Health and Drainage Departments, which they have come to understand are not simply zoolum but are intended to preserve their health and lives. They have long ceased to resist and thwart the efforts of the authorities in this direction; they are now tolerant and acquiescent, if not actively helpful.

THE EXODUS.

The figures given in these columns some time back showed how greatly the exodus from Bombay up to the end of December had been exaggerated. Instead of half the population leaving the city as was alleged at that time, the excess of passengers over the ordinary outflow was according to the returns of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce 171,460. But alarmists on being confronted with these figures have freely asserted that the outflow in the month of January was so great that there had been a depletion of the city by flight of from four to five lakhs of people. But this statement is no more borne out by the statistics of the railway companies than by those we have already given in regard to coasting steamers. The returns tabulated by Mr. R. A. English, the Auditor of the B. B. and C. I. Railway, indicate that the total net outward flow on that line for the month of January 1896 was 5,779, while in 1897 it was 26,808. This gives an increase of 21,629. Allowing for half tickets issued for children, a total of from 27,000 to 30,000 is reached. It is noteworthy that the exodus was in diminishing ratio each week—thus in the first seven days of the year the excess of departures was 12,000; in the second week 4,600, and in the third week 3,600 only. In the last week of the month there was even a small decrease in the number of outward passengers as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The season tickets issued numbered 3801 or an increase of 1,543 over the total for 1896. The issue of passes to railway servants is exceptionally heavy just now. The two companies have come to an arrangement whereby passes for their employes can be exchanged and the servants of the two lines are gladly availing themselves of this opportunity.

INSPECTION OF COASTING VESSELS.

The Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, has issued a new standing order which provides that no port clearance shall be granted at the Port of Bombay to any steamer or square-rigged vessel proceeding to Karachi *via* coast ports, or to any vessel proceeding to any Indian port north of Mandvi or south of Bhatkal, unless and until the master or agent produces a certificate from the Health Officer of the Port of Bombay to the effect that the crew and passengers (if any) are free from any infectious disease dangerous to life. In each case it will be necessary for the master to produce a certificate from a qualified medical practitioner to the effect that those on board are free from infectious disease. No port clearance is to be granted to native craft proceeding to Mandvi or to Bhatkal or to any Indian port within those limits, until the master obtains from a Customs officer appointed for the purpose a certificate that in his judgment none of the crew or passengers on board is suffering from infectious disease dangerous to life.

A CASE AT A SUBURBAN PLACE OF REFUGE

A Hindu woman died of the plague yesterday in Andheri. The Assistant Collector and Magistrate, Mr. C. W. M. Hudson, at once went to the place and had the hut in which the woman lived burnt. Mr. Hudson is now engaged in erecting a few huts in a far away place which will be used as a segregation camp where the sick will be removed and looked after by Government medical men or by the relations of the sick persons if they so choose.

THE HINDU HOSPITAL: A MONTH'S WORK.

Since the opening of the Hindu Fever Hospital, on the 20th January last 39 patients have been admitted there. Out of these 14 died, 16 are under treatment, and 9 have recovered. The names and residence of the nine discharged cured are: 1 Sivaram Appaji, Nagpada; 2 Nainibai Wagle, Matunga; 3. Ganesh Dhondee, Musjid Bunder; 4 Sunder Borhi, Naigao; 5 Soonder Babaji, Byculla; 6 Shankar Mahadeo, Mughbhat; 7 Bhaskar Bhagoji, Mahadeo Wadi; 8 Anpurnabai Bhaskar, Mahadeo Wadi; and 9 Nagasing Dhondsing, Trimbak Chawl.

BANDORA MUNICIPALITY.

A correspondent writes that the work of the Bandora Municipality is considerably retarded for want of a quorum on meeting days, both of the committee as well as of the board meetings. He urges that the time has arrived when commissioners absent habitually should be called upon to resign their seats in order to make room for men with some clearer idea of civic responsibility.

HOW ABSTENTION FROM DUTY IS TREATED IN THE POLICE FORCE.

Before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Constable Mehta charged Kurreem Dhakoo, lately a policeman in the Bombay Police Force and doing duty at Girgaum, with absenting himself without giving any notice to the Commissioner of Police of his intention to do so. On the 18th ultimo accused obtained seven days' leave in order to take his family to his native place Chiploon on account of the prevailing epidemic. He remained at Chipioon until the expiry of the period of leave, when he sent a telegram to the Police Commissioner, asking for an extension, which was refused. As he did not however return to duty in time an information was filed before the Second Presidency Magistrate, and after a *prima facie* case was made out, a warrant was issued for the apprehension of the deserter. Before the warrant reached the destination for execution, the accused probably hearing of the steps taken against him, returned to Bombay and surrendered himself to Superintendent McDermott. The accused said that he did not return to duty in time, because he hoped that his application for extension of leave would be granted. His Worship sentenced him to fifteen days' rigorous imprisonment.

It is an ill wind that blows no one any good. The Sanitas Disinfectant Company have improved the occasion afforded by the prevailing epidemic to send out from England a special representative in the person of Mr. H. Basherville Mason. He arrived by the s. s. Caledonia a month ago, and has been working with such success, as to obtain through the local agents large contracts both from the Municipality and the Port Trust, and negotiations for the same purpose are in progress with the two railway companies.

A Mahomedan tailor named Abha Esa Tarla, aged about thirty-five years, residing at Kambeker Street, was conveyed by his relatives in a reckla to the J. J. Hospital, suffering from fever on Wednesday evening. On the carriage arriving under the porch of the hospital, the man was removed from it and the yehu after receiving the fare, drove away. Shortly after the House Surgeon came out and on examination found the man was dead. He certified that the death was due to the bubonic fever and the body was then conveyed to the Sonapore cemetery. Enquiries are being made for the reckla, the number of which is not known.

THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

The members of the Research Committee which was convened by order of the Government of India and consisted of certain medical officers including Surgeon-Major-General Cleghorn, with Professor Haffkine and one or two non-professional gentlemen are understood to have arrived at an opinion that the bubonic plague is due to local causes, and is only slightly epidemic or contagious in the ordinary sense of the word. This opinion is arrived at from the immunity from attack enjoyed by the police and officers and subordinates of the Health Department who have to enter the worst infected places, and the very general absence of the disease from the better class of houses to which it has not spread to any great extent.

SPECIAL MASS AND PROCESSION IN SALSETTE.

On Sunday the 14th instant, the Solemn High Mass in honour of St. Anthony for the cessation of plague was celebrated in the Malwani Church with great solemnity. The confession to the penitents was arranged from Thursday and there were three Vicars who attended on them. On Sunday about one thousand approached the Holy Communion. The interior of the Church and the High Altar was tastefully decorated with banners and flowers. The Mass was performed by the Rev. Fr. S. Da Costa assisted by Rev. Fr. De Souza and Rev. Fr. B. Theumdo. The Rev. Fr. De Souza soon after the Gospel preached an impressive sermon in Portuguese and in Marathi on plague scourge. The St. Anthony's Band was in attendance. In the evening a propitiatory procession went through the streets of Malwani, Marwa, Ratsury and Karoudy. Eight priests and about 2,000 people took part in the Service. The image of St. Anthony was carried in the procession by order of the Rev. S. Da Costa, Acting Vicar of the Parish, and soon after the procession reached the Church Rev. Fr. Madeira preached an impressive sermon in Marathi on plague scourge and famine, the ceremony concluded with the Most Blessed Sacrament.

February 17.

THE PLAGUE IN BANDORA.

The official returns of plague at Bandora since the 10th instant, are as under:—

	Attacks.	Deaths.
10 February	8	6
11 "	11	9
12 "	16	13
13 "	21	15
14 "	15	14
15 "	8	12
16 "	6	7
	85	77
Preceding week	69	50
Reported previously	323	247
Total since outbreak	477	374

The mortality during the week may be thus distributed:—Hill road, 4; Bazaar road, Chinchpoogly, Bhoiwada, 11; De Monte Street, Manglane and Nowpada, 8; Chapel Road, 5; Varoda, 3; Kantwady, 5; Sheorli and Chuin, 3; Dand, 14; Khar and Ghorbunder Road, 1; and Palli 13; total 77.

THE PARSEE FEVER HOSPITAL.

The following are the returns for the week ending February 15th:—

Admissions	45
Deaths	30
Discharged cured	19
Sent away	1
Under treatment	23*

*18 out of them being convalescent

FEVER RELIEF FUND.

In addition to the subscriptions detailed on Tuesday last the following sums have been received:—

	Rs.
Sir Charles and Lady Farran and family	100
Dr Bhalchandra Krishna	20
Mr Ebrahim Rahimtoola	20
Free Church S S	10
A F K	10
M N	10
J J	10
Miss Morris	5
Mr H B Warden	10
Mr Beg Mahomed Haji Abdool Rahimin	20

BUBONIC FEVER RELIEF FUND, BANDORA.

	Rs.
Surgeon-Captain Prall	10
Mr A C Dias	2
A Friend	1
Mr Sorabjee Hormasjee Batliwalla	20
Mr J D Dalmeda	10
Messrs Cowasjee Brothers	10
Mr C Sorabjee Vashagnun	15
Mr Dhanjibhoy Maneckjee Aibless	15
Mr Edwin R Smetham	20
Mr C W Noble	20
E	20
Mr Thomas H Moore	20
Messrs Rustamjee Sorabjee and Barjorji Kaikhosroo Aibless in memory of their father Kaikhosroo Fardoonji Aibless	15
A De B	10
H H	10
I H	20
Mr E F Allum	20
Captain G E Wilson	20
Mrs A J Garrette	10
Mr H S Elworthy	20
Mr D A Pardio	20
Mr Allum	10
Mr K P Brunton	10
Mr G E House	20
S A N	10
Hope, Faith, and Charity	5
Mr D C Setna	20
A Friend	2

POONA.

The City Municipal office returns, for the 24 hours ended at 8 a.m., on Wednesday, show the following results:—

Imported	0
Local	8

Paths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Ravivar	4	4
Sudaseo	2	2
Ganesh	1	1
Nihal	1	1
Total	8	8
Total up to date	203	136

The Suburban Municipal office returns for the above 24 hours show the following results:—

Imported	0
City of Poona	0

Locality	Cases.	Deaths.
Plague Hospital	1	2*
Total up to date	203	136

* This includes a Parsee named Maneckjee Pestonji Majoo who was discovered affected with the plague among the arrivals from Bombay on the 11th. Out of the imported cases two were discharged cured yesterday viz. Aba bin Mahalapa Wine and Santu Ninoo, Marathas. These two were admitted on the 15th and discharged on the morning of the 17th.—*Herald*

KARACHI.

ANXIETY OF THE AUTHORITIES.

KARACHI, February 15.

The plague returns up to noon on the 13th instant show 35 new cases and 41 deaths. The returns for the 14th instant show 36 new cases and 37 deaths. The totals to date are: cases, 1,476; deaths, 1,374.

The Lyari quarter still has the heaviest death-rate and the mortality is highest among Mahomedans. New rules have been issued by the Commissioner giving increased powers to the Engineer of the Municipality: and the Health Officers, Drs. Cornwall and Niblock, have been appointed to the medical charge of the worst infected quarters. Sirdar Mohamed Yacoob Khan has been appointed Superintendent of the Trans-Lyari quarter. A meeting was held in the town by the Commissioner and the Collector regarding the collection of mortality statistics.

The authorities are getting anxious at all their efforts being unavailing to stop the plague.

STREET LIGHTS.

To THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It has been the settled practice of many years, to extinguish Municipal lamps, for a fortnight every month on semi-moon light nights. Now owing to the plague Bombay is denuded of three-fourths of its inhabitants, leaving their houses full of furniture, and many valuable articles, at the mercy of the police to guard against thieves. In the early hours of the morning it is extremely dark, thus facilitating thefts, etc. The police are not encouraged to take their due rounds on the public streets and in by-lanes, owing to the darkness and loneliness. Even the pedestrian finds it difficult to pass through the deserted roads in darkness. I beg, therefore, to suggest to the Municipal Commissioner to keep the Municipal lamps lighted during the whole night, at all events in the present crisis.—Yours, &c.,

PURBHOODAS BHUGWANDAS DALAL.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Mr. D. Taleyarkhan, the energetic Municipal Commissioner of Baroda, drew the attention of the public to the manner of disinfecting affected houses and streets in the month of October last, and now we see that his prophecy is justified and his directions are attended to. In these hard times of famine, pestilence and want of employment and perturbed mind the poor should be pitied and helped by the Municipality or the Government to cleanse their houses or huts, or to make any desirable alterations for ventilation, or sunlight. The infected houses vacated by Government orders or spontaneously by tenants may be thoroughly and cheaply disinfected by nitro-peroxide, which was boldly proposed by Dr. Sumsoodin of Baroda, and this disinfectant has proved stronger than sulphur, phenyle, &c. Besides its gas will enter each nook, or crevice, and the chief advantage it has, is that it will take a long time to give up its property and efficacy. It does not decompose vegetable matter. In the depression of the head in this fell disease, it is advisable not to move the patient an inch, but we are helpless in as much as for the sake of the health and safety of others who are not yet infected, we are forced to do what is prohibited by medicine. A door-to-door inspection, care and medical aid may be very inconvenient or costly, but it is necessary for those who are ignorant or superstitious, and who try their best to conceal their cases. Here is Herculean task for the philanthropists to see that they are provided with the trifling but necessary articles to replace what must be destroyed.

I doubt the efficacy of feeling the pulse one or two seconds in this type of fever, to diagnose the disease as we see in the examination of the passengers on or near the railway stations. The examination of, or a mere glance at the countenance of each may reveal the disease far better than such formal examinations. A countenance expressive of anxiety and exhaustion, the eyes dull and heavy, the staggering and uncertain gait, the head inclined to the chest, the eye-lids half closed and the mouth open will disclose the disease soon.

The carbuncles, bubos, &c., the characteristic signs of the disease, when suppurated early are proved to be a good sign, they should be poulticed with strong stimulating herbs such as the green leaves of the *Tammanica*, an annual creeper which grows luxuriously on old walls or tatees, or with the root of *Gul-i-Abbas*, a perennial herbaceous, dichotomous plant commonly called 'four o'clock' plant, which gives beautiful flowers in the afternoon, and of *Karanj* tree (Congamia Glabra), or a plaster of Red Oxide of Lead, a household plaster prepared by many Indians, adding some other ingredients such as *Malkangni* (Celastrus Paniculata), &c., prepared by different processes, and when the bubo suppurates, the dressing of some antiseptic ointments containing known resins will much help the practitioners. The disseminator of infection—the Dhobie—should be warned or helped to disinfect all clothing that he brings to his house, besides the rooms where he deposits his client's clothes should be thoroughly disinfected daily, that the clothes may not convey the infection.

Many an honest medical practitioner brings plague cases to the attention of the authorities or advises his patients to take advantage of the hospitals, but those who help the spread of the disease should be found out and punished, and boycotted. On account of this honesty in the medical practitioners and other causes the people give their preference to quacks over University men, who hold it criminal to conceal such patients. The Municipality as well as the Government try their best to root out the disease, but the people themselves should assist the Municipality and the Government.—Yours, &c.,

Nowsaree, Feb. 16. NOWROSJI D. DESAI.

CASES AT PAPADI.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The almost sudden and unforeseen outbreak of the terrible epidemic in Papadi, a village just hard by, has filled the local public with consternation and alarm; and this coupled with the considerable amount of disquietude and discomposure caused by the fact of the non-existence of any successful remedy to stamp out the pestilence or any effectual medicine to cure it, has made their hearts sink within them. The enormous and continued exodus from Bombay has considerably swelled the population of the adjoining districts and has brought down many daily passengers and temporary residents to Bassein. The rents of houses are trebled and in some places even quadruped. It is, however, a matter of great fortune and satisfaction that this little town is thinly populated and enjoys a agreeable and wholesome atmosphere free from any local impurities such as the foul and offensive odours emanating from swamps and stagnant ponds which have no room left them in Bassein. Notwithstanding all these natural conveniences, the plague has at last forced its entrance into the town, for unfortunately there were two indigenous cases in the English school-building on Thursday last were proved fatal. These cases was immediately brought to the notice of the authorities. The school was at once closed and has been since then inconveniently held in the Vernacular school No. 1. The building has been undergoing lime-washing and other essential sanitary repairs. There were about six original cases at Papadi, all of which proved fatal. The Papadi Marathi and Portuguese schools are closed. The Municipality deserves credit for the timely wisdom it has shown by issuing orders to prevent the weekly market gatherings at Papadi. The idea of the appointment of a qualified and experienced hospital assistant at the railway station, to check the influx of infected persons is welcome and will be hailed by the public. but it is apprehended, the present appointment will prove unproductive of the desired results. Meantime energetic precautionary measures must be adopted by the Municipal authorities to get the few dirty localities in the Bajipoora cleansed and purified by issuing peremptory injunctions to the residents for the immediate removal of foul water and decaying substances lying on their premises and as to the prevention of the recurrence of a like nuisance by the strict enforcement of the orders previously mentioned. No fresh cases have occurred in the town. Rumours are afloat that compulsory segregation will be enforced. They will not disclose the occurrence of cases for fear of being separated from their relations and to commit them to the mercy of inexperienced, unskilful and indifferent medical attendants and mirashees. I shall conclude by requesting the Municipality to take into consideration the religious superstitions of those whose segregation is sought to be enforced, and the public to do their best in helping the Municipality in the cause of

Bassein, Feb. 17. SANITATION.

THANA DISTRICT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I have been living at Sopara over a month, and I find it very strange that the newly-constructed road to the railway station is neglected. The road is greatly used by the heavily-loaded carts of bamboos and such other wood, &c., carried by buffaloes or strong bullocks which are coming from the jungles, and therefore the road is entirely spoiled and could not be used for passengers' carriages and one cannot walk over it without danger to life. It is quite impossible to describe its state. The road is not quite sufficient to run two carriages. I have no reason to suppose that it was rolled. All khandkis have been scattered at the foot of the embankment which is not made pucka. At present there is moonlight, but in dark nights carriages cannot safely be driven in the fields. The carts, and carriages with passengers are running without any light for which our worthy authorities might issue the necessary orders without loss of time, to save people's lives, as large numbers of people here have come to save their lives. The road is broken into ditches at every 2, 4, 10, and 15 feet. If no attention is paid to this the amount expended over it will be in vain. If the people continue running away till the monsoon, there will be no road to go to the railway station as the fields will be filled with water.—Yours, &c.,

Sopara, Feb. 16. A DAILY PASSENGER.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m. of the 18th February, 1897.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	18	1	52 a.m.	6	23
Teheran	18	2	32 p.m.	...	22
Suez	18	3	0 p.m.	...	5

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 18th February, 1897.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	1	6	..	2
" Karachi	...	8	..	2
" Madras	...	20	...	1

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THE PALGHAR RIOT CASE.

MR. HUDSON, I. C. S., resumed the hearing of the case in which fifty men are now charged with rioting and using criminal force to a public servant in the discharge of his duty. Rao Saheb Acharya, Government pleader, appeared for the Crown; whilst Mr. F. Pestonji Taleyarkhan, barrister-at-Law, with Messrs. Kharkar, Patel and Vaidya, pleaders, appeared for the accused. Mr. Taleyarkhan, in addressing the court on behalf of his clients, argued that the issues to be decided were of law and fact. There was no evidence to show that the men now on their trial were these who were present at the spot or if they were present at the spot, they took any part in the disturbance or did anything contrary to law. Witnesses for the prosecution said that there were 4 or 5,000 men assembled near the Deputy Collector's office, and that some of them had rushed into his office and assaulted that officer and his shiristedar. Beyond these vague and general statements there was nothing in evidence to connect the accused with the offences alleged to have been committed. The connection of the accused with the offences was not at all established. It was all very well for some of the witnesses for the prosecution to say that they saw the accused in the crowd; but the question was, whether their evidence was worthy of any credit. The whole case turned upon the question of identification, and if the magistrate felt any doubt on that point, the accused were entitled to an acquittal. Speaking for himself, Mr. Taleyarkhan continued, he had no hesitation in saying that the evidence of identification was vague, unsatisfactory and absolutely unreliable. There was a mass of evidence recorded, and there was some indirect evidence against his clients, but the point for consideration was, whether there was any direct evidence on which the court could safely come to a verdict against them. And what there was of a little evidence apparently against them, it came to very little upon a close examination of it. After having analysed and commented upon the evidence of identification, Mr. Taleyarkhan argued that the evidence might be summarised into this that the accused were in the crowd but were not seen to do anything. The witnesses had not the vaguest idea as to what the accused were doing if they were at all on the spot. Another important, point to be remembered was that there was no corroborative evidence. The fact was that the witnesses' memories had misled them as to what actually occurred and who were the persons who took part in the disturbance. Witness No. 1 for instance, pointed out some of the accused, on a second occasion whom he failed to identify on the first. Witness No. 3 said with great candour that he learnt the names of some of the accused from hearing people mention them, but he was not able to find them out from amongst the whole of the accused. Witness No. 4's evidence was unreliable. Every moment he said "I don't remember." Witness No. 5 was not even able to say whether the accused in the dock were the persons whom he did not know who caught hold of him. Witness No. 7's evidence could not be relied upon, as he had contradicted himself several times. The evidence of all the witnesses was of a similar character. But how were the witnesses able to identify the accused as having been in a crowd of 4 or 5,000 men. The presumption was that they had drawn upon their imagination for the purpose of arrest. Most of the accused were known to the witnesses before, they also knew that people from certain villages were going to present a petition. Under these circumstances there was no wonder that the witnesses should have come forward and said "yes, these were the men who were in the crowd." The whole story told by them belonged to one fixed purpose, namely, to somehow or other connect the accused with the offences, but on such evidence it would be unsafe to convict the accused. That there was a disturbance and that some persons were assaulted, there could be no doubt, but the question was whether the accused were the persons who committed the offences. If the court believed any of the accused to be identified, the point to be considered was whether there was anything in their manner and actions to show that they were rioters. It was also in evidence that the accused were arrested four days after the disturbance—where was the guarantee that wrong men were not arrested? Mr. Taleyarkhan then made some observations on the evidence for the defence and remarked that there was no necessity for proving *an alibi*. Weak as the case for the prosecution was, it was weakned still more by the evidence for the defence. The Government Pleader had cross-examined the witnesses at some length but he was not able to elicit anything to break down the defence. The stroy told by the witnesses for the accused was consistent with the defence of *alibi*.

The court reserved its judgment.

PALITANA NOTES.

FOR the present in Palitana, writes a corresponden the winter season is not steady at all. Some times it is cloudy and sometimes the wind is furiously blowing while sometimesat noon it is as hot as is in summer so the Municipal and the medical officers are strictly ordered by the Thakore Saheb of Palitana to pay due attention to the public health and avoid the possibility of any disease occurring by the above reasons. The Municipal authority does not allow any filth to accumulate on public roads or in by-lanes, while the medical officer also is working hard to the preservation of the healthy state of the people. So the subjects of the State are in enjoyment of sound health owing only to the personal observation of the Thakor Saheb. At the same time I have seen in Palitana that a great number of persons like pilgrims and caravans of pilgrims (Sunghs) are daily arriving here from Bombay, Ahmedabad and such other places. Dharamsalas there though many are fully filled up by them whereby prices of grain having greatly risen the poor have great difficulty in providing themselves, and if this be allowed for a long time I fear the time will come when those helpless poor people will have to starve. But this is not enough. There is a great fear of this town being attacked with some horrible disease like plague by such a fast-increasing number of pilgrims and caravans. But I am sure H. H. Sir Mansingji, K.C.S.I., the Thakore Saheb thereof, will be pleased to take this matter into consideration and make some arrangements as to that and oblige the people as he has every now and then obliged them by using every kind of means either pecuniary, mental or physical for the good of the people. Again the Thakore Saheb has given strict orders to the Police Superintendent and foujdars of this State to take every possible care for the safety of the person and property of the people, as there is great fear of being robbed and harassed by the starving people on account of scarcity of grain in many parts of India this year. The police force being greatly increased strict attention is paid on the watchmen and on rounds of police and sowars for inspection in Palitana as well as in districts.

This year for want of the rain the produce is nearly half of what was in each of the foregoing years, so the circumstances of the farmers is quite piteous, but I am very glad to hear that the Thakore Saheb Bahadur has personally visited the districts in order to view the crop as well as the circumstances of the cultivators, and after taking everything fully into consideration, H. H. Sir Mansingji, K.C.S.I., the Thakore Saheb of Palitana, has not only left off monies remained in the farms of the past years unpaid up to this time by the farmers, but has given up also some portion of the farms of the present year, which though chiefly forms the revenue of this State.

CHATFIELD MEMORIAL MEETING AT GODHRA.

AT the instance of Messrs. G. S. Mukadam and R. D. Patel a meeting of the admirers of Mr. Chatfield was held on the 15th instant in the Library Hall. Dr. M. J. Mistri, the Acting Civil Surgeon of Godhra, presided, Messrs. Mukadam and Patel explained the object of the meeting in short. Mr. J. G. Gokhale proposed the Working Committee of the following gentlemen to collect funds:—Rao Saheb Chunilal Harilal Vakil, B.A., LL.B., Sub-Judge, Dr. M. J. Mitsri, Acting Civil Surgeon; Mr. Harilal Mansukram, B.A., LL.B., Divan Deogudh-Baria; Mr. Dolatram Kirparam, Divan Lunawada; Khan Saheb K. R. Nanjiani, B.A., Deputy Educational Inspector; Mr. G. S. Mukadam, chairman, School Board; Mr. R. D. Patel, head master, Telang High School; Mr. J. G. Gokhale, B.A., 1st Assistant Telang High Scool; Mr. Lalshanker A. Pandya, Assistant Deputy Educational Inspector; Mr. Kalyanrai, Assistant Deputy Inspector, Nandod; A subscription list was opened and Rupees one hundred were subscribed on the spot. The usual vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

THE proposed marriage between the Comte de Turin and the Infanta de las Mercedes, sister of the boy-King Alphonso XIII, will be a link between the present Spanish dynasty and the brief reign of the Duke of Aosta, the Count's father. The recent elopement of Donna Elvira has deprived the Don Carlos family of a chance, which might have healed a great historical breach. Queen Isabella always favoured the idea of a marriage between her grandson and a Carlist princess. Of late, however, she has dropped this idea.

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CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Hon Mr Justice J Jardine, I C S, resigned the office of Judge of H M's High Court of Judicature Bombay, to H E the Governor in Council under Sect 4 of 21 & 25 Victoria, Chapter 104, on the 6th Feb 1897, in the afternoon.

Rao Saheb Rudrapa Virapa Hallimattur, acting Mamlatdar, taluka Hangal in the district of Dharwar, is appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be a Magte of the third class in that district.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint, under Article 95 (b) of the Civil Service Regulations, Khan Bahadur Hastamji Hormasji Kotwal to be third grade Asst Supt of Police in the Bijapur Dis for a period of six months.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr A H M Ostrehan to be Asst Supt of Police in the Upper Sind Frontier Dist pending further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments:—Mr C H Jopp, I C S, to be first grade Judge and Sessions Judge vice Mr T Hart-Davies, I C S, retiring; Khan Bahadur Navroji Dorabji Khandalavala to be Special Judge under the Dekkhan Agriculturists Relief Act, 1876, vice Mr Jopp; Khan Bahadur Manekji Nasarwanji Nanavati to be Judge of the Small Cause Court, Poona, vice Khan Bahadur Navroji Dorabji Khandalavala; Rao Bahadur Lalshankar Umiashankar Tarvadi to be 1st class first grade, Subordinate Judge, vice Khan Bahadur Manekji Nasarwanji Nanavati; Rao Bahadur Narhar Gadahar Phadke to be first class, second grade, Subordinate Judge, vice Rao Bahadur Lalshankar Umiashankar Tarvadi; and Rao Saheb Waman Mahadeo Bodas to be first class, third grade, Subordinate Judge, vice Rao Bahadur Narhar Gadadhar Phadke, continuing to act as Depy Registrar and Sealer, High Court, Appellate Side.

The following officers in the district of Karachi are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magtes of the third class in that district:—Messrs. Phillipos Sharifoo, Jagandas Sudhardas, Hundomal Nanikram, Chelaram Nanikram, Tekchand Mewaram, Gul Mahomed Tindo Khan, Shah Mahomed Nur Mahomed, Awatrai Mengharaj Sekrai Hiranand Sudhuram Mohandas Atmaram Himatsing, Habibullah Kadirbuksh, Shah Muhammad Taj Muhammad, Muhammad Akram Moulvi Ahmedi Nahchaldas Manghirmal.

Azam Kundansing Kishinchand, Head Munshi, taluka Ghotki in the district of Shikarpur, is appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be a Magte of the third class in that district.

Azam Purshotam Mahadeo, Head Karkun, taluka Sinnar, and Azam Waman Damodhar Khitkar, Head Karkun, taluka Nandgaon in the district of Nasik, are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magtes of the third class in that district.

Mr E M H Fulton, I C S, relinquished charge of the special duty to which he was appointed by Govt Notification No 2831, dated the 19th Dec 1896, on the 9th Ins, in the forenoon.

The following special Civil Officers on famine duty in the district of Ahmednagar are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magtes of the second class in that district:—Azam R G Dhandhortalkar, Azam P H Bhatvadekar, Azam C Y Date.

In modification of Govt Notification No 513, dated the 20th Jan 1897, the Govr in Council is pleased, under the provisions of Sec 3 (1) of the Mamlatdars Courts Act, 1876, to specially authorize the following officers in the Poona District to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar under the Act:—Azam Narayan Ramrao Tadpatrikar, Head Karkun, taluka Haveli; Azam Ramchandra Damodar Sahasrabudhe, Head Karkun, taluka Purandhar; Azam Purushotam Govind Deodhar, Head Karkun, taluka Bhimthadi; Azam Shankar Daji Joshi, Head Karkun, taluka Sirur.

Azam Ramchandra Narayen Marathe and Azam Balaji Dhondeo Dowle, special Civil Officers on famine duty in the district of Satara, are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magts of the third class in that district, and are invested with additional powers, specified.

Rao Bahadur Chitaman Narayan Bhat assumed charge of the office of special first class Subordinate Judge under Act XVII of of 1870 for the Poona Satara Districts on the 23rd Jan 1897, in the forenoon.

Mr J C Pringle, I C S, Asst Colr in the district of Hyderabad, is appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1882 to be a Magt of third class in that district.

H E the Gov in Council is pleased to authorise Azam Dhondo Narayan Sathe, Mahalkari, Peths Malcolmpeth, in the dist of Satara, to exercise within that petha the powers of a Mamlatdar under the said Act.

Azam Subrao Venkatesh Kulkarni, Special Civil Officer on famine duty, taluka Nagar in the district of Ahmednagar, is appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be a Magte of the third class in that district, and is invested with additional powers, specified.

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H E the Govr in Council is pleased, under Sec 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to invest Mr A F Maconochie, I C S, Asst Colr and Magte of the first class in the district of Nasik, with additional powers specified.

Rao Saheb Vishweshwar Venkatesh Kalyanpurkar, Subordinate Judge of Saundatti in the district of Belgaum, is appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1882, to be a Magte of the first class in that district.

Azam Vithal Krishna Kulkarni, acting Head Karkun, taluka Gokak, and Azam Hanmant Shriniwas Annigeri, acting Head Karkun, taluka Athni in the district of Belgaum, are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magtes of the third class in that district, and are invested with additional powers, specified.

Azam Ramchandra Bapuji Punekar, acting Head Karkun, taluka Ron, and Azam Ghantesh Gurushidana, acting Head Karkun, taluka Kalsbtgi in the district of Dharwar, are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be Magtes of the third class in that district.

Rao Saheb Vasudeo Daji Joglekar assumed charge of the second class Subordinate Judge's Court at Kumta in the Kanara Dist on the 1st Feb 1897, in the forenoon.

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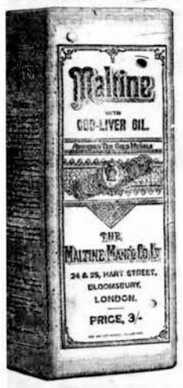

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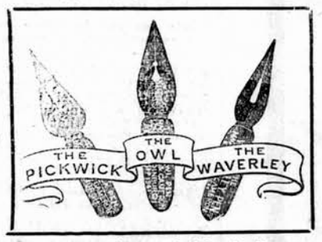

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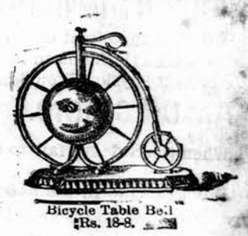

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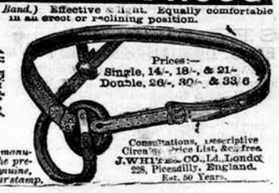

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